

Council on Academic Affairs

Minutes

April 19, 2018

The April 19, 2018 meeting of the Council on Academic Affairs was held at 2:00 p.m. in the Room 4440 at Booth Library.

Members Present: Dr. Abou-Zaid, Mr. Aydt, Ms. Cash, Dr. Gronnvoll, Dr. Janssen Danyi, Dr. Kronenfeld, Dr. Ruholl, and Dr. Wilkinson.

Members Absent: Dr. Rhoads

Staff Present: Provost Gatrell

Guests Present: Dr. Chris Mitchell (CAH), Ms. Brooke Schwartz (DEN), Dr. Jeff Stowell (PSY), Dr. Karen Swenson (PLS).

I. Approval of the April 5, 2018 CAA Meeting Minutes.

Dr. Wilkinson moved and Dr. Janssen Danyi seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The minutes of the April 5, 2018 meeting were approved with the following changes: Members absent: Dr. Janssen Danyi, strike Dr. James Bruehler; Agenda item 18-075 change effective date to fall 2019; Agenda item 18-075 correct spelling of Dr. Gronnvoll's name.

II. Communications:

a. College Curriculum Committee Minutes:

1. Minutes of the March 21, 2018 College of Arts and Humanities Curriculum Committee meeting.
2. Minutes of the April 3, 2018 Lumpkin College of Business and Applied Sciences Curriculum Committee meeting.
3. Minutes of the April 4, 2018 College of Arts and Humanities Curriculum Committee meeting.
4. Minutes of the April 6, 2018 College of Sciences Curriculum Committee meeting.

b. Executive Actions:

1. March 23, 2018 memorandum from Interim Associate Dean Mitchell, CAH, requesting executive action to change the "NW" designation in several HIS courses to "NUS".
2. March 30, 2018 memorandum from Dean Klarup, COS, requesting executive action to add an Accelerated Option for the Professional Science Master's in Geographic Information Science.
3. April 6, 2018 memorandum from Interim Chair Small, History, requesting executive action to change the undergraduate catalog description of HIS 4930.
4. April 6, 2018 memorandum from Interim Dean Bower, CEPS, requesting executive action to revise the course title and course description for HST 3400.
5. April 6, 2018 memorandum from Interim Dean Bower, CEPS, requesting executive action to revise prerequisites for KSS 3400 and KSS 3401.
6. April 12, 2018 memorandum from Interim Associate Dean Mitchell, CAH, requesting executive action to add a "US/Non-US" designation to HIS 4980.
7. April 12, 2018 memorandum from Interim Associate Dean Mitchell, CAH, requesting executive action to revise the prerequisites for CMN 3540, 3610, and 4500A, B, D, and E.
8. April 12, 2018 memorandum from Interim Dean Mitchell, CAH, requesting executive action to add online delivery to several ENG courses.
9. April 12, 2018 memorandum from Interim Dean Mitchell, CAH, requesting executive action to change the core requirements for the B.A. in Communication Studies.

c. Committee Reports:

By acclamation this discussion was moved to the end of the agenda.

d. College Grade Appeal Reports

1. Spring 2018 Grade Appeals Report for the Lumpkin college of Business and Applied Sciences.

III. Discussion:

1. CAA bylaws – April 9, 2018 email from Provost Gatrell. Given the pending Faculty Senate project to restructure the University governance structure, the Council approved by acclamation continuing under suspended bylaws.

2. CAA officer elections – April 9, 2018 email from Provost Gatrell. The Provost has approved increasing the CU allotment for CAA Recording Secretary to 1.5 CUs per semester. As the Council will be continuing under suspended bylaws for the next academic year, it was approved by acclamation to combine the positions of Vice Chair and Recording Secretary. Officer elections will be held at the next meeting, April 26, 2018.
3. 3 + 3 clarification of proposal – April 9, 2018 email from Provost Gatrell.

IV. Items to Added to the Agenda:

Dr. Kroenfeld moved and Dr. Abou-Zaid seconded the motion to add to the agenda.

1. 18-078, New Program proposal format

V. Items Acted Upon:

1. **18-076R, Accelerated Law Degree Program Between NIU College of Law and EIU (New 3+3 framework).**

Dr. Swenson presented the proposal and answered questions of the council.

Dr. Wilkinson moved and Dr. Janssen Danyi seconded the motion to approve the proposal. The motion passed unanimously as written.

2. **18-077, Neuroscience Minor (Revised Minor).**

Dr. Stowell presented the proposal and answered questions of the council.

Dr. Abou-Zaid moved and Dr. Janssen Danyi seconded the motion to approve the proposal. The motion passed unanimously as written.

VI. Pending.

None

VII. Committee Reports.

Dr. Abou-Zaid updated the Council on the results of the Faculty Laureate Nomination Committee. The committee unanimously nominates Dr. Don Holly (SOC/ANTH) as the 2018-19 Faculty Laureate. The Council approved the nomination by acclamation.

VII. Ongoing:

1. Multi-year plan regarding the University Learning Goals (For details concerning the plan, see agenda item 13-83, CAA Learning Goals Committee's Recommendations & Resolution, which was approved by CAA at its 4/25/13 Meeting)

Meeting Adjournment:

1. Mr. Aydt motioned and Dr. Kronenfeld seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was approved by acclamation.

The meeting adjourned 2:35 p.m.

The next meeting will be held at 2:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 26, 2018.

–Minutes prepared by Dr. Marita Gronnvoll, Recording Secretary Spring 2018.

******* ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEXT MEETING *******
April 26, 2018
Room 4440, Booth Library @ 2:00 p.m.