

Discovery Committee Minutes, 12/13/2017 – final.

Present: Kathrine Aydelott, Nelson Barber, Norma Bazylinski, Andy Colby, Casey Hagelin, Gregory McMahon, Dawn Meredith, Stephen Pugh, Charles Vannette, Evan Smith, Nicky Gullace, Amy Oliva.

Absent: Dan Carchidi, Maryann Clark, Jerry Marx, Subhash Minocha, Patrick Shannon.

The Committee took the following action:

Minutes:

Motion: Kathrine Aydelott moved and Greg McMahon seconded the approval of the Minutes from 11/15/2017.

Vote: Yes: 4; No: 0; Abs: 1. **Motion passed. Minutes approved.**

Course Review: No courses for review.

Student Petitions

1. Request for work and life experience teaching English in Japan to fulfill WC.
Vote: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abs: 0. **Petition approved.** (mhcolsa12132017)
2. Request for GEO 106, Planetary Geology at Stony Brook to fulfill PS.
Vote: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abs: 0. **Petition approved.** (kscola12132017)
3. Request for MAT 118, Mathematical Thinking at Stony Brook to fulfill QR.
Vote: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abs: 1. **Petition approved.** (kscola12132017)
4. Request for PHDI 2300, Astronomy at Plymouth State to fulfill PS with DLab.
Vote for PS: Yes: 6; No: 0; Abs: 0. **Petition approved for PS.**
Vote for DLab: Yes: 0; No: 6; Abs: 0. **Petition denied for DLab.** (mjcola12132017)
5. Request for college level course *The Ocean*, taken in high school to fulfill DLab.
Vote: Yes: 0; No: 6; Abs: 0. **Petition denied.** (obpaul12132017)
6. Request for ARTS 120, Digital Photography course at Manchester Community College to fulfill ETS.
Vote: Yes: 0; No: 6; Abs: 0. **Petition denied.** (rpchhs12132017)
7. Request for short-term study abroad to fulfill WC.
Vote: Yes: 0; No: 6; Abs: 0. **Petition denied.** (oschhs12132017)
8. Request for POLT 444A, *Democracy – Its Character and Its Characters* to fulfill HP.
Vote: Yes: 0; No: 6; Abs: 0. **Petition denied.** (nwcolsa12132017)
9. Request for NR 606, International Energy Topics combined with short-term study abroad to fulfill WC.
Vote: Yes: 0; No: 6; Abs: 0. **Petition denied.** (jkceps12132017)
10. Request for Keene State course IATAD 399, *Performing Arts Criticism*; to fulfill FPA; and ETS be waived based on life experiences and academic history.
Vote for FPA: Yes: 1; No: 5; Abs: 0. **Petition denied.**
Vote for ETS: Yes: 0; No: 6; Abs: 0. **Petition denied.** (cmcolsa12132017)

Other Items:

Request by ECE department to modify ETS Variance Agreement.

Vote: Yes: 6; No: 0; Abs: 0. **Amendment approved.**

Update on the Faculty Senate Agenda Committee Draft of the Discovery Program Charter. The structure of the Discovery Committee meetings will remain the same but we will be more accountable to the Agenda Committee and report to the Academic Affairs Committee as needed. The Discovery Committee will be needing to elect a Vice Chair in the near future. The Agenda Committee is planning to bring the Charter document forward at the first Senate meeting in the beginning of the new year.

WS 505 for JTerm on-line/Inquiry error.

The Registrar's Office and COLA take responsibility for the mistake of not catching the error of this Inquiry class in on-line format for JTerm. The course will still run and the students enrolled will still get INQ credit. They are taking careful steps to avoid this in the future.

Discuss a JTerm meeting date if one will be needed.

January 10, 2018, 12:15-2 PM works well for most Committee members. If a meeting is needed for urgent student petitions, we will notify the Committee of the location on this date and time.

Meeting adjourned at 1:15 pm.

Submitted by Susan Whitcomb