

Discovery Committee Minutes, April 23, 2014

Present: Barb White, Amy Cunningham, Todd DeMitchell, William McKernan, Dan Carchidi, Dan Beller-McKenna, Wayne Fagerberg, Sandhya Shetty, Sean Moore, Norma Bazylinski, Sanjeev Jha

Absent: PT Vasudevan, Steve Pugh, Barbaros Celikkol, Gretchen Bean, Bill Ross

Next meeting: Wednesday, May 7, 2014

The committee took the following action:

Motion: Wayne Fagerberg moved and Dan Beller-McKenna seconded approval of Minutes of the April 9, 2014 meeting: **Vote:** yes – 5, no – 0, abstain - 0. **Motion passed.**

COLA:

WS444A - *Race Matters* – WI (for Spring 2014 semester only)

This is not currently considered a WI course, however the Faculty teaching the class was under the impression that it was and has been teaching it that way. The WS department is now requesting that this course be considered WI - for this semester only - so the students currently taking the class will receive WI credit for it. The DC discussed the writing requirements and felt that this class, as it is now, does not meet the expectations of the WI guidelines. **Motion:** Todd DeMitchell moved and Wayne Fagerberg seconded to deny proposal. **Vote:** yes – 5, no – 0, abstain - 0. **Motion passed.**

ARTS 552 – Follow-up on course re-review for format – (ETS). **Course approved.**

PAUL/COLSA:

ECOG 685 – *Art de Vivre* – HUMA (Dijon Study Abroad Program)

After discussion the DC agreed that this course, as proposed does not meet the guidelines for the HUMA category. It was suggested that the faculty get in touch with Sean Moore regarding further discussion on the possibility that this course could be a good fit for the Discovery category of HUMA in a different iteration.

Motion: Wayne Fagerberg moved and Dan Beller-McKenna seconded to deny for HUMA category. **Vote:** yes – 5, no – 0, abstain - 0. **Motion passed.**

COLSA:

BIOL 410 - *Principles of Molecular and Cellular Biology*- BS- (e-course). **Course approved.**

Motion: Todd DeMitchell moved and Dan Beller-McKenna seconded to communicate to the faculty that “the Discovery Committee voices a strong concern about courses that are prepackaged and not built through ongoing presence and application of faculty expertise”. **Vote:** yes – 6, no – 0, abstain - 0.

Student petitions:

Senior petitioning for pre-calculus and calculus transfer credits to fulfill Discovery QR requirement. An exception was made and the petition was approved due to advising error. (*kkcola041414*)

Senior petitioning for POLT 559, HIST 538, and CMN 557 all fulfill Discovery HP requirement. Petition denied. (*jhcola040214*)

Senior is petitioning to fulfill ENGL 401 requirement with CLEP exam and comparable course work. Petition denied. (*mlceps040314*)

Didn't get to:

Annual report to Faculty Senate
Review of WC policy

**Meeting adjourned at 1:45 pm.
Submitted by Alix Campbell**