Minutes of the Curriculum Committee Meeting on Wednesday, November 10, 2010

Members present: Roger Allen, Terry Beck, Derek Buescher, Alyce DeMarais, Alison Tracy Hale, Alisa Kessel, Paul Loeb, Amanda Mifflin, Brad Reich, Jonathan Stockdale, Randy Worland, Alec Wrolson, Steven Zopfi.

Call to Order

Derek Buescher began the meeting shortly after 9:00 am.

Approval of minutes:

M/S/P to approve the minutes of the October 20, 2010 meeting, with the deletion of the extraneous word "Most" from the beginning of the second paragraph under "review of modifications of curriculum statement."

Working group reports

Working Group 1:

M/S/P to approve one course proposal:

Music 126 History of Rock Music (Fine Arts Approaches)

Working Group 2:

M/S/P to accept the physical therapy curriculum review. The working group noted the rich data included in physical therapy's review, including a favorable job placement rate.

Working Group 3

The group is currently working on the psychology department curriculum review.

Working Group 4

The group is making progress on its review of independent studies, the center for writing, learning, and teaching review, and has sent questions back to the Science, Technology, and Society program for clarification.

Working Group 5

M/S/P to approve a SIM major: Daniel Parecki's "The Politics of Health Care." Additional note from group 5: "Working group five received a Special Interdisciplinary Major (SIM) proposal from Daniel Parecki entitled The

Politics of Health Care. The proposal encompassed 12 courses and had letters of support from Prof. David Sousa, Prof. Jill Nealey-Moore, and Prof. Monica DeHart. The working group met October 13, 2020 to review the proposal. We had clarification questions that we then emailed to Mr. Parecki. He responded. The group then met on Nov. 3, 2010, to review those responses. Brad Tomhave was unable to attend this meeting; all other members were present. The working group unanimously recommended that we submit this proposal to the full curriculum committee with one additional provision, Mr. Parecki is allowed to substitute COMM 252 Health Communications Campaigns (a new offering) for any of the 300 level courses designated in the SIM proposal. For clarification, Mr. Parecki *may* substitute this course for one of the 300 level offerings, he is not required to do so.

The working group is also reviewing the P&G curriculum review and has been in contact with that department with questions for clarification.

Other Business

Alyce reported that Bob Mathews has returned to teaching on a reduced schedule.

Alyce also reported that—following up on a discussion on the curriculum committee regarded setting the academic calendar in the future—the faculty will be given a survey regarding attendance during the week of Thanksgiving (Monday and Tuesday classes).

M/S/P to adjourn at 9:14 am.

Respectfully submitted by Jonathan Stockdale