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# Minutes, Curriculum Committee Meeting, Tuesday, November 7, 2017

Curriculum Committee

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**Date: 11/7/2017**

**Location: Bush 176**

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**Attendees:**

Josh Almond (Chair)     James Patrone (Sec.)     Mattea Garcia     Gloria Cook  
 Laura Pfister     Mario D'Amato     Emily Russell     Robin Mateo  
 Jamey Ray     Nancy Niles     Nick Houndonougbo     Dan Chong  
 Andrew Phillips     Jonathan Harwell     Stephen Booker     Tiffany Griffin  
 Maribeth Huebner     Mae Fitchett     Janette Smith

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**Agenda/Discussion**

1. Approve minutes from the October 24, 2017 meetings
  - a. Motion to approve minutes from 10/24/2017 meetings
  - b. DECISION: APPROVED (9-0-0)
2. Sub-committee announcements and/or reports
  - a. New Course Committee (G. Cook)
    - i. Had a flood of proposals, but now that schedule is up, everything is good
    - ii. Discussing modifying the new course proposal form
  - b. Academic Appeals Committee (M. Garcia)
    1. Nothing to report
  - c. International Committee (N. Houndonougbo)
    - i. Meeting today
    - ii. Discussion and finalization of merging international programs and grant's international initiative
    - iii. Will go directly to EC as it is not in purview of CC
  - d. EC report (J. Almond)
    - i. Approved SE divisional realignment
    - ii. Approved faculty compensation philosophy
    - iii. Tabled education minor proposal
3. New business
  - a. Changes to the Academic Probation catalog language.
    - i. Removed the forced FERPA requirement
    - ii. Removed the language of contract to General Requirements of Probation
      1. Also change the name of the form from contract
    - iii. Motion to approve changes with correction of typo.
    - iv. DECISION: APPROVED (9-0-0)
  - b. RFLA: Reconsideration of the C- Requirement (Emily Russell).
    - i. Every rFLA class has a C- minimum to matriculate forward or otherwise the students go into the extra special awesome class to have a 2<sup>nd</sup> chance to succeed course
    - ii. According to catalog a D- is a passing grade

- iii. Having a C- can lead to grade inflation
  - iv. Lifting the requirement could lead to a wider and more reflective grade distribution
  - v. Still have overall GPA requirement
  - vi. Will removing the C- requirement send wrong message to students and result in a lowering of expectations and effort?
  - vii. Can we add a gen ed gpa requirement?
  - viii. We are setting two different bars for overall GPA vs gen ed GPA
    - ix. Tentative Proposal: Remove C- from rFLA course requirement and institute a rFLA cumulative 2.0 GPA rFLA requirement. – Almond-Chong-Patrone Referendum
- 4. Old Business (none)
  - 5. Announcements (none)
  - 6. Adjourn
    - a. Motion to adjourn