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Minutes, Curriculum Committee Meeting, Tuesday, September 6, 2022

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Curriculum Committee
Meeting Minutes (approved 9/13/2022)
September 06, 2022

In attendance: Emily Russell (chair), Raghavendra KC, Samantha Fonseca-Douguet, Susan Montgomery, Marc Sardy, Steve Schoen, Yusheng Yao, Steve Booker, Tiffany Griffin, Stephanie Henning, Rob Sanders, Toni Holbrook

Absent: Robin Gerchman, Mattea Garcia, Perry Middleton, Kasandra Riley, Ashley Kistler

- I. Approval of minutes from August 30, 2022 – motion (KC), second (Marc), approved.
- II. Holt MEd (Reading Major) program closure
 - a. Has not had any students enrolled for sometime.
 - b. Enrollment is one of many strategic reasons for the closure.
 - c. It will not impact any current student.
 - d. Questions raised on what the need of the teachers' community is like and where the program fits – response was that the program is not competitive in cost of attendance.
 - e. Question raised on possibility of program hiatus versus closure. Federal requirement/SACS requirement discussed.
 - f. Discussion closed.
 - g. Motion (Steve S.), Second (Susan), Approved (7 for, 0 against, 0 abstentions).
- III. ENG and writing Holt program closure
 - a. Clarification – Holt ENG Major, Holt ENG Minor, Holt WRT Minor.
 - b. Declining enrollment as the primary issue.
 - c. Staffing the classes have proved to be challenging for the program with the numbers.
 - d. Concerns raised about the liberal arts ethos and character eroding for more practical programs in Holt. Committee assured that this would not be the case.
 - e. Confirmation sought that every single student has been contacted with the teach-out plan and each of the students were accommodated. Confirmation obtained.
 - f. Question raised if the decreasing demand is a result of COVID. Response showed that declining demand is one of many issues and the decline started since 2015.
 - g. Discussion Closed
 - h. Motion (Samantha), Second (Yushen), Approved (5 for, 0 against, 2 abstentions).
- IV. German program closure (old business)
 - a. Perry's email note read by Emily.
 - b. Question raised as to why this was on the table for discussion having been discussed in Spring 2022. Response – proper steps were followed now so it is reintroduced.
 - c. Clarification provided about the route to the closure including the retirement, resignation and unavailability of a tenure line.
 - d. Motion to table to Sep 27 meeting (KC), Second (Susan), Approved – rationale provided for the motion – seeking GLC rep, Dean's office representation and student voice.

- V. Vote on Bylaws change for CC role in position review
 - a. Conversation about the rationale for the change – focused on feasibility, practicality, and misplaced perception of influence
 - b. Motion, Second, Approved (for – 7, against/abstentions - 0)
- VI. Revisiting Transfer credit policy in CLA
 - a. Rationale discussed for Recommendation 1(b) and 1(a), in that order. Issues raised about the other changes that need to happen (financial aid, advising etc.)
 - b. Tabled due to time restrictions.
 - c. Motion to table to Sep 27 meeting (Marc), Second (Samantha), Approved

Adjourned - 1:45pm

Prepared by Raghavendra KC on behalf of Robin Gerchman (Secretary)