

EPCC Minutes

March 31, 2009

Attendance:

Colleen Johnson
Kenn Wheeler
Sarah Witte
Ellen Krieger
Dea Hoffman

Darren Dutto
Michael Jaeger
Mike Pierce
Carol Lauritzen
Heather Stanhope

Buck Potter
Mike Heather
Tony Tovar
Miriam Munck
Sally Mielke

Decisions:

1. Approve minutes dated 2/24 and 3/10.

2. Colleen starts discussion about the two AA degrees that have been brought forward. We have an AS degree on the books but not an AA degree. Currently on the books is an AS in Early Childhood Education, and a program for para-professionals that is similar to the certificate. There is a movement asking to create a "pathway" to continued degrees at all Universities. The college of Education tried to incorporate this philosophy in the program.
 - If students earned an AA, it would satisfy Gen eds at EOU
 - Is this considered a NEW degree or can it replace the old AS? Will OUS approve?
 - Michael will share the information presented at EPCC during provost council on Thursday. The decision to mark one as new vs. revised is only a cosmetic change. We need to be placed on the provost consent agenda for June and prior to that we need to have approval from local community colleges approving of these programs. We have the letters already. There are multiple reasons we need to move forward with these degrees.
 - Colleen suggests we ask for New Program paperwork be submitted regardless of what OUS needs. We have time to do this before Faculty Senate.
 - (Mike P) Since this meets either the AA or the AS, we should go forward.
 - (Michael J) Do we need another form if we bring this forward as a NEW Program?
 - (Colleen) Yes, there is a form
 - (Carol) The form does not fit for the AA/AS degrees
 - (Dea) Suggests a general AA degree with an emphasis in a certain area. This can be transcribed.
 - (Mike P/Sarah) I think each certificate and AA degree should be individual. We need the pathway to be clear so students go from certificate programs into the AA/AS and then on to the BA/BS.
 - (Sarah) This seems like a formatting issue. We will create a template so they are similar and resubmit for next week.
 - (Colleen) If you keep it as an AS, then we can move forward as a revision.
 - (Carol) This isn't close enough to the AS to move forward. The old one is more technical with 60 education courses- not near enough gen eds. This is closer to a liberal studies AA.
 - (Michael J) This is our chance to bring forward a new program. We are the ONLY University that will be allowed a new program.
 - Decision-Table entire group of business/education certificate/AA programs and bring forward next week for approval after the additional paperwork is complete.

3. ART changes
 - ART 330 WITHDRAWN
 - ART 243 New Course, APPROVED
 - ART 243 GEC, POSTPONED
 - ART 307 APPROVED
 - ART 407 APPROVED
 - ART 408 APPROVED

- ART 411 APPROVED
- ART 343 APPROVED
- ART 344 APPROVED

4. There was not enough time to discuss the Biology, Theatre, and Writing requests. These items will be discussed at the next EPCC meeting.