

# EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COMMITTEE MINUTES

## WEEK 6: Tuesday, Oct. 1, 2013; in Old Main, Room #127

**Members in attendance:** Ellen Hay, Taddy Kalas, Tim Bloser, Reuben Heine, Ann Ericson, Dave Dehnel, Umme Al-wazedi, Greg Domski, Mike Reisner, Cameron Onumah, Danilo Bruno, Catherine McDermott, Darien Marion-Burton, Liv Reinacher, Jeff Ratliff-Crain

**Others present:** John Delaney and Shanan Pettifer

The meeting was called to order at 4:31 p.m. by Committee Chair Dave Dehnel

**I. Minutes from September 24, 2013:** Moved by Ellen Hay, Second by Greg Domski and all approved

**II. Consent Agenda from General Education:** None

**III. Old Business:** None

**IV. New Business:**

A. Changes to the Accounting Minor

- Motion to pass with supporting material, Cameron Onumah, second by Darien Marion-Burton and all approved

B. On Line Courses and Certificate Programs

- Okay received from Division Chairs to put items on agenda for upcoming Division Meeting Oct. 10 @ 10:30 a.m. Division reps need to be ready to lead discussion with revised documents by Dave Dehnel . Documents will be available to obtain with ease from Google Drive to distribute to their divisions before meeting.
- Dave Dehnel spoke to Wendy Hilton-Morrow and received approval to be on Senate agenda for Oct. 17 meeting.
- Looked at Friday forum, no time slots open for Oct., possible Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>.
- For online document, reference question #1; should we offer online asynchronous and if we do should we limited it to summer for time being, be added?
- Online synchronous course has already been approved last summer
- A key concern Embedded in the EPC document last year was the extent and quality of interaction as oppose to if it's necessarily asynchronous or synchronous. Everyone could be logged in at same time and half could not be paying attention.
- Need divisions feelings about online in general and to give information and gage reaction, along with informing EPC's role.
- When talking about online courses to divisions make sure they are aware we are talking about summer.
- Division meeting is where to engage in conversation about online not to conduct survey.
- Senate is where to consider maybe clicker survey. Do we want to formulate a set of questions for a survey? Kind of like straw poll to see what people think about any particular issues.
- For online question document it was suggested to add the Blended Learning Statement and the chunk of minutes from 9/24/13 EPC meeting that recorded advantages and idea of motivation behind online courses.
- Certificates provide credential where major and minor may not be appropriate
- At division meetings, in addition to the discussion question document on certificates, Jeff's report on certificate programs at other colleges could be helpful. Another specific example is the Leadership program (see the PDF file). The draft policy statement could also be distributed.
- No meeting on Tuesday, Oct. 8, 2013. On the 15<sup>th</sup> we will discuss feedback from the divisions and prepare for the discussion in Senate.

Motion to adjourn meeting @ 5:23 p.m.

Next EPC meeting, Tuesday, Oct.15, 2013 @ 4:30; Old Main, Room #127