ACADEMIC AFFAIRS AND CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

A2C2 Minutes for WEDNESDAY, September 7, 2011

TLTS Maxwell 158

3:30 p.m.

1. Call to Order
2. Adoption of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes: August 24, 2011 Corrected and approved
4. Coercion of a secretary. No secretary elected. Imperative: request temporary note-taking from Julie Lutz.
5. Chair’s Report
6. General Education Program Subcommittee Report: Meeting was canceled.

1. Notifications:
   1. ECON 340: Quantitative Analysis for Business and Economics (3)
   2. NURS 495: Advanced Emergency Nursing (2)
   3. EDUC 498: (1-3) credits changed to (0-3) credits
2. Old Business:
3. Clarification of motion passed at last meeting. Mohr/Campbell/Passed: GOAL 6—A minimum of 3 credits of Humanities and 3 credits Fine Arts are required within the 9 credits required in the category. The Fine Arts courses will include all GEP-approved courses that were (formally) in the USP Fine and Performing Arts category, along with all GEP-approved Fine Arts courses (MUS, ART, and THAD) that were (formally) included in the USP Humanities category.
4. Possin/Schumacher/Passed: That the University Studies Program Subcommittee retain its function as the University Studies Program Subcommittee, as it becomes the General Education Program Subcommittee, and that in that capacity, the following revisions are to be made to WSU Regulation 3-4 [9-1-10]—revisions reflected in the document POSSIN WSU Reg 3-4 MNTC GE REWRITE Draft 8-31-11.docx. In other words, that POSSIN WSU Reg 3-4 MNTC GE REWRITE Draft 8-31-11.docx replace the current WSU Reg 3-4 [9-1-10]. [POSSIN WSU Reg 3-4 MNTC GE REWRITE Draft 8-31-11.docx will be renamed Revised Reg 3-4 A2C2 9-6-11.docx when sent to Senate.]
5. New Business:
   1. Teri Hinds: Course Outlines: See <https://winona.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_0OfmVDb09lxJYaM>

Information related to completing course outlines on the MnSCU Website. Teri Hinds did a demo of the portal. Discussion of its striking shortcomings: e.g., its lack of Preview and Editing modes, its rigid and odd formatting requirements, that the Registrar’s Office must be bothered to make any subsequent changes to submissions. Gen Ed course outlines must be posted by end of the calendar year; *all* course outlines must be posted by the end of the academic year. Course outlines must be specific enough to keep transferable courses functionally equivalent in content and level, but not so specific that they fail to respect the academic freedom of different faculty using different syllabi while teaching the same course. Reps are expected to demo for their departments and can also contact Teri Hinds for a departmental demo.

* 1. WSU GENERAL EDUCATION PROGRAM document: general discussion by A2C2: Some omissions were noted, for example, the specific credit distributions within the Goal Areas, that courses may be in up to two Goal Areas, and that an ambiguity appears in item 6 on p. 11 of the document. Motion: Schreiber/Williams/Passed to have GEPS propose criteria for the Humanities and for the Fine Arts subcategories in Goal Area 6. Further discussion tabled.

1. Adjournment