

## MINUTES

TO:

**Educational Policies and Programs Committee** 

FROM:

Jim Postma, Secretary

DATE:

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EPPC MINUTES - February 19, 2015, Kendall Hall room 207, 2:30 p.m.

Members present: Boyd, Donoho, Ford (McConkey), Janos (Schindler), Kaiser, Lee, Nichols, Roll (Livingston), Rowberg, Schierenbeck (Ellingson), Thompson (Kemper), Postma, Herren, Kapoor, Baumgartner-Lee, Trethewey (Loker), Aird.

### Call to order 2:30 p.m.

- 1. Approve **Minutes** of February 5, 2015 meeting
  - a. Approved with no changes.
- 2. Approve today's **Agenda** 
  - a. Item 5 should read "AB 386", not "SB 386."
  - b. Add a discussion of EO 1100 under "Other."
  - c. The Agenda was approved as amended above.

#### 3. Announcements

- a. KK: Twenty English-language instructors from around the world are visiting CSUD and CSUC.
- b. KK: Stop-trafficking conference first week of March. (A Red Tent event was also mentioned with no details.)
- c. KK and AT: The Chico High A Capella Choir had a successful fundraiser in order to perform at Carnegie Hall.

#### 4. Chair's Prerogative

- a. Special Prefixes Discussion Item
- The Chair explained the abbreviated report that was distributed and the recommendations that were put forward.

- The Chair encouraged EPPC members to sign up for the *ad hoc* Prefixes Subcommittee (joint with FASPC.) She described the subcommittee charge and timeline possibilities.
- An EPPC member described the genesis of one example of a new prefix that appeared conflict with faculty control over the curriculum.
- KK pointed out some new, unexpected consequences connected to AB 386 if the courses are offered online.
- Members noted that clarity will help students.
- Members hoped that the bureaucracy would not needlessly control things so that creativity not stifled.

## b. Syllabus Policy – Discussion Item

- Chair introduced idea behind the request for a policy on course syllabi (department chairs). A discussion of the need for syllabi ensued (and the utility of a catalog).
- Members noted accessibility issues and compliance issues.
- The Chair encouraged EPPC members to sign up for the subcommittee.

# 5. AB 386 and CourseMatch – **Discussion Item** (See December 4, 2014 Senate Agenda and Support Documents <u>Agenda & Support Docs.</u>)

- Kaiser complimented the student interface that the Chancellors Office had created. She noted that under AB 386, every online course is open to all CSU students.
- Kaiser recommends that we build structures that protect our students and faculty. This might include minimizing the time that the course is open to off-campus students or not allowing non-CSUC admission until 3<sup>rd</sup> week. It was noted that the Chair controls course enrollment caps. It was also suggested that we enforce prerequisites. Kaiser encouraged faculty to state prerequisites in the syllabus (since off-campus students self-certify.) AB 386 students do not count for campus FTE (and thus budget) but CourseMatch does.

#### 6. Other

• EO 1100 (<a href="http://www.calstate.edu/eo/EO-1100.html">http://www.calstate.edu/eo/EO-1100.html</a>) General Education: Kaiser introduced the changes in the document from the previous EO 1065. Faculty were encouraged to evaluate (and respond, if necessary) the impacts of those changes on their programs. The changes involve: 1) minimum grade of C (2.0) for the GE "Golden Four" (remaining GE transfer requirements up to individual CSUs with the exception that

- certification by area and certification of the overall GE package must be respected.) and 2) removal of area D breadth sub-areas.
- Senator Nichols described a recent GE conference that he attended and some of the ideas proffered.
- Loker elaborated on aspects of AB 386 and CourseMatch.
- 7. Adjournment: 4:17 p.m.