

CAB Meeting Minutes – February 20, 2017, 9:00 – 10:45 am, SSC 122/124

Present: Chris Nichols (Chair), Charlene Armitage, Kaitlyn Baumgartner, Pablo Cornejo-Warner, Laird Easton, Holly Ferguson, Christine Goulding, Nicol Gray, LaDona Knigge, Irene Korber, Bill Loker, Rachel Middleman, Don Miller, Kent Sandoe, Paula Selvester, Kate Transchel, Jed Wyrick

1. Announcements
 - a. There has been a lot of interest from departments that want to add courses to the GE program. CIVL, PHYS, MUTA, just to name a few.
2. Approval of Minutes from 2/6/17
 - a. Approved
3. GE Faculty “Handbook” discussion
 - a. Postponed again until Chiara can participate; she has expressed willingness to take leadership of the project.
4. NURS 477 – Major Course Sub resubmission
 - a. Additional statement from instructor on science component of course. The scientists on CAB (Chris and Don) previewed the additional statements and are satisfied the course meets EO standards—**approved unanimously**. Implementation is pending number change to course and will be effective 18/19.
5. THEA 353 – Capstone Sub resubmission
 - a. Resubmitted application with additional oral communication activities—**approved unanimously**. Will be effective F17.
6. Veterans and GC
 - a. Postponed until member who raised the item and veteran student rep are present, but Charlene indicated that her office receives and reviews requests for GC credit from veterans who have served overseas.
7. 2016-17 Assessment Teams:
 - a. Math—done, just finalizing report. The quiz that was used cannot be published so it needs to be removed; Kent is adding information about the quiz instead.
 - b. Written Communication—STEPS is ready (also ready for Global Engagement). Faculty can begin uploading assignments for raters to review. A letter with instructions will go out to faculty soon.
 - c. Global Engagement—Postponed since Jacque was unable to attend meeting.
 - d. Sustainability—Will be using an online survey in non-Pathway courses that have Sustainability as an SLO. Meeting soon with Nate to reduce size of survey as it currently takes about 25 minutes. Hopefully will send out in March.
8. Other
 - a. President’s Listening Tour Report came out last week and includes comments

from faculty/staff regarding GE program. Comments refer to the need for a Sustainability Major; too many Pathway Minors and a lack of cohesion in the Pathways; and the need to streamline, simplify, and diminish the GE program. Discussion:

- What is the value added of the Pathway Minor?
 - Agree there is lack of cohesion in the Pathways.
 - Pathway Minor might be easier for high-unit majors than a traditional Minor if they can double-count units.
 - Conversely, lower unit majors end up needing additional units if they double-count too many.
 - Students assume the Pathway courses and instructors are aligned for a common purpose and that the faculty are working together.
 - CAB will endeavor to communicate with campus better, the concerns raised are ones CAB is aware of and is already working on.
 - With upcoming 5-year review, CAB will solicit input from campus.
- b. According to EM 86-001, Minors require at least 18 units with 6 being upper division, but there are no requirements from Title 5. Paula will bring this to EPPC for a discussion on how many units a Minor should require.

9. Adjourn