



MINUTES

TO: Educational Policies and Programs Committee
FROM: Rick Ford, Secretary Du Jour
DATE: September 24, 2015
SUBJ: EPPC MINUTES – September 24, 2015, Kendall Hall room 207, 2:30 p.m.

Members present: Aird, Baumgartner, Cross, Crofts, Ford, Donoho (Sager) Hassenzahl, Janos, Jarquin, Jaxon, Kemper, Kipnis, Kirchoff, Loker (Hassenzahl), McConkey, Nichols, Roll, Rowberg, Seipel, Selvester, Shierenbeck, Thompson

Chair Crofts opened the meeting by greeting and introducing new members of EPPC and noted we need one more non-senator faculty member.

1. Minutes were approved for September 10, 2015.
2. Agenda was approved for September 24, 2015.
Attachment 2
3. Announcements: Seipel encourage folks to attend the Thursday 9:30 -10:45 Teaching Slam. Crofts: Book in Common (BIC) kick off at city plaza as part of the last Thursday night farmers market for this year. 18 students won Rawlins Awards—ceremony Tuesday Evening Sept 29 in Colusa Hall. McConkey—North State Symphony coming up – inaugural performance for new conductor. Baumgartner - internships available in academic advising.
4. EPPC Guidelines were approved for AY 2015-16.
5. Introduction Item: Significant Change in B.S. in Biochemistry. Discussion revealed a minor typo on page 4 that will be corrected. There was also discussion about the flexibility of topics. Passed as an introduction item.

M/S/passed to suspend the rules and move the above item to action.

At action there were no revisions nor discussion. Motion passed to approve as an action item and will appear at the next senate meeting as an introduction item.
6. Discussion Item: Course Syllabus Template (Sample). The committee engaged in a deep conversation about the issues surrounding a syllabus template. Some on the committee like the

idea of a uniform template and others expressed the need for flexibility. Jim Aird, who worked on the subcommittee explained that the intent of the committee was to allow for a lot of flexibility to delete items from the template, and for individual colleges and departments to be able to adapt the template to their needs. Crotts summarized that people are not too keen on a highly prescriptive document and that a set of rigid requirements is not preferable. Chair Crotts suggested a larger subcommittee might be needed. Ben Seipel then made a presentation of resources available on the campus to help faculty construct properly accessible content. He demonstrated standard syllabi links and content for online courses and what is used for new faculty orientation. Ben explained that he had money to support faculty training to learn more about this.

The committee also discussed the process for developing and recommending a standard process to the campus.

Chair Crotts told the committee he would take the issue to the Executive committee and that exposing the template to other campus organizations would be appropriate.

7. Other: We will have a several proposals coming to us at the next meeting including revisiting the repeat for forgiveness policy.

Shierenbeck: Please vote on willingness to strike over impasse. The salary pool issue was discussed briefly.

Nichols: EO 1100 come fall 2016 changes the min grade for certain GE courses from C- to C.

McConkey: Vote for presidential search committee – closes tomorrow.

8. Adjournment occurred at 4:04.