



MINUTES

TO: Educational Policies and Programs Committee
FROM: Joe Crotts, Chair
DATE: September 19, 2016
SUBJ: **EPPC MINUTES – September 08, 2016, Kendall Hall room 207, 2:30 p.m.**

Mahalley Allen, Secretary Du Jour

Members present: Allen, Camacho, Crotts, Ferrari, Fleet, Ford, Hammer, Hassenzahl, Kim, Loker, McConkey, Ponarul, Roll (Allen), Rowberg (Ford), Schierenbeck, Selvester, Traver, Watkins, Wyrick

Joe Crotts, EPPC Chair, opened the meeting by discussing the meeting room locations for EPPC and FASP.

1. Approve minutes for August 25, 2016. [Attachment 1]
The minutes for the August 25, 2016, EPPC meeting were approved.
2. Approve agenda for September 08, 2016. [Attachment 2]
The agenda for the September 8, 2016, EPPC meeting was approved.
3. Announcements.
No announcements.
4. EPPC Vice Chair – Crotts.
Chiara Ferrari and Michelle McConkey were both nominated for EPPC Vice Chair for AY 16/17. After voting by secret ballot, Michelle McConkey was elected as the AY16/17 EPPC Vice Chair.
5. Secretary Schedule, 2016-2017 – Crotts. [Attachment 3]
The final secretary schedule was sent to EPPC members.
6. EPPC representatives to committees – Crotts. [Attachment 4]
The EPPC representatives to committees requiring EPPC representation for AY 16/17 are as follows:

All University Responsibility for Teacher Education Committee: Joe Crotts
Special Major Committee: This committee has been suspended.

Graduate Council: Chiara Ferrari
University Writing Committee: Bill Loker
Liberal Studies Program Advisory Council: Paula Selvester
Curriculum Advisory Board: Chiara Ferrari

Committee members will submit end of year reports to EPPC on committee activities.

7. Approve EPPC Guidelines – Crotts. [Attachment 5]

Joe Crotts reviewed Section VI of the EPPC Guidelines on the functions of the committee. EPPC members discussed that some curriculum requirements are established by the Chancellor's Office, not our campus, as indicated in Subsection B. The guidelines were approved with Crotts suggesting that potential revisions to Section VI, Subsection B be considered in the future.

8. EO 1071, Delegation of Authority to Approve Subprograms (Options, Concentrations, Special Emphases) and Minors [Attachments 6,7]
Discussion item – Loker.

The Chancellor's Office has sent proposed changes to EO 1071 Delegation of Authority to Approve Subprograms (Options, Concentrations, Special Emphases) and Minors. Bill Loker discussed that if approved, these changes would mean that options must require less than half of the required units in a major. Loker said that this requirement would be retrospective and apply to both current and future options as well as both undergraduate and graduate programs. As programs come up for their 5 year review, they would need to come into compliance. According to Loker, the justification behind these proposed changes is to bring the CSU into compliance with federal guidelines, the Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System, and WASC policies.

EPPC members discussed issues related to outside accrediting agencies requiring courses that would put options out of compliance with the proposed changes to this EO. EPPC members further discussed whether these proposed changes were consistent with faculty "owning the curriculum" and whether the Chancellor's Office was prepared for the many requests for new majors that would result from these changes.

EPPC members also discussed possible solutions for departments who would be out of compliance. Ideas included degree programs increasing the number of units in program cores as compared to their options, adding units to the major overall to improve the ratio of core to option courses, and creating new majors out of existing options. Members also suggested that the Chancellor's Office consider assisting the process by creating a separate, streamlined process for establishing any new majors that would result from these changes. Bill Loker asked EPPC members to discuss these proposed changes with their departments and to work with Nicol Gray.

9. Other.

Bill Loker announced that the campus graduation initiative plan was submitted, and the campus has learned that it would be receiving 1.3 million dollars for short-term graduation initiative planning. EPPC members discussed the barriers to students graduating in 4 years.

Joe Cross reminded members about the dates of upcoming Academic Senate, EPPC, and University Budget Committee meetings. Crofts announced that EPPC would soon consider two large proposals regarding centers and institutes and the international bridge program.

10. Adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 3:30 pm