



MINUTES

TO: Educational Policies and Programs Committee
FROM: Joe Crotts, Chair
DATE: September 27, 2016
SUBJ: **EPPC MINUTES – September 22, 2016, Kendall Hall room 207, 2:30 p.m.**

Jim Aird, Secretary Du Jour

Members present: Aird, Allen, Camacho, Cross, Crotts, Ferrari, Fleet, Ford (McConkey), Hammer, Hassenzahl, Kemper, McConkey, Polsan, Ponarul, Roll (Allen), Rowberg, Scheer, Schierenbeck, Selvester, Watkins, Wyrick

1. Approve minutes for September 08, 2015. Attachment 1
Approved.
2. Approve agenda for September 22, 2015. Attachment 2
Approved.
3. Announcements.

Selvester reported that the President's Fall Reception was a resounding success. The food was good, the impromptu flash dance captivated everyone's attention, and President Hutchinson gave an inspirational welcome that further strengthened out hopes for a future marked by transparency and collegiality.

Hammer reported on the Zen Den II Grand Opening. The Wildcat Recreation Center staff would like to invite all of the campus community to the grand opening of the Zen Den II, located in BMU 301, Thursday, September 22 from 2:00-4:00pm. Join us for light refreshments, chair massages and therapy dogs and learn about the new relaxation space in the BMU.

4. Introduction item: New Undergraduate Certificate Program Attachment 3
Certificate in Interreligious and Intercultural Relations

Kate McCarthy and Jed Wyrick, professors in the Department of Comparative Religion and Humanities, presented the proposal for a Certificate in Interreligious and Intercultural Relations. Discussion noted the interdisciplinary nature of the program; its flexibility and lack of narrow focus. The program is designed to provide value to students of all majors and cross lines of religious difference to help build diverse communities. Concerns noted included that perhaps the program was a bit too unfocused and the lack of stated staff support resources.

Overall, the proposal was most favorably received.

Vote: The proposal passed as an action item.

5. Other.

Crotts gave a brief progress report on the CSU, Chico International Program and A general round-table discussion around EO 1071 concluded the meeting.

6. Adjourn.

The meeting adjourned at 3:28 p.m.