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University Curriculum Committee for Liberal Education (UCCLE)
March 2, 2011
2:00 - 3:15 p.m. - 230 Student Services Building

Present: Sheila Carter-Tod, Carolyn Meier, Kurt Hoffman, Dan Thorp, Rachel Holloway, Marlene Preston, Rick Ferraro

Guests Present: Karen Strickler

Absent: Brandon Carroll, Ally Hammond, Meir Schneller, Kate McConneill, Mitzi Vernon, Cindy Wood, Lisa McNair, Elizabeth Fine, Alan McDaniel, Joao Setubal, Scott Renneckar

1. CALL TO ORDER - The meeting was called to order by Sheila Carter-Tod, Chair.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA – A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda. Motion carried.

3. CLE AREAS SUBCOMMITTEE – As a quorum was not present at the meeting the courses proposals under consideration for first and second reading will be voted on electronically.

   Recommendations for First Reading –

   AHRM 2304, Family Financial Management, Area 3, effective Fall 2011.

   Recommendations for Second Reading –

   HNFE 2664, Behavioral Nutrition & Physical Activity, Area 3, effective Fall 2011.
   • The subcommittee recommends approval pending the proposal being resubmitted with the major’s only requirement being removed. The subcommittee talked with the department and they are willing to remove the major’s only requirement and will submit a new memo and signed coversheet. Materials will also be submitted to the Registrar’s Office for entry into the system removing the major’s only requirement.

   PPWS 2104, Plants, Genes and People, Area 7, effective Spring 2011 (revision to existing course).
   • The subcommittee recommends approval of PPWS 2104, Plants, Genes and People, Area 7, effective Spring 2011.

4. OTHER BUSINESS –

   Student Data for Conference Presentation – Shane McCarty
   Shane was unable to attend the meeting today so this item has been rescheduled for the April 6th meeting.

   Update from the Director, Curriculum for Liberal Education – Dan Thorp
   Dan Thorp updated the committee on the recent workshop with Dr. Paul Gaston held on February 24th. We had interesting discussions about a variety of issues. Dan reported that the thing that seemed to catch people's attention was the discussion about the distinction between liberal education and general education. Dan went on to report that the way Paul described it, what we have been calling liberal education is not liberal education but instead it is general education. Dan also reported that there seems to be a higher degree of excitement about the CLE than has been seen in a while. He said that his next step is to have more conversations in the UCCLE and with the Associate Deans to talk about what kind of education we want. Dr. Gaston’s presentation and notes from the workshop are available on Scholar and on the CLE website at http://www.cle.prov.vt.edu/uccle/index.html.
5. **DISCUSSION OF DRAFT UNDERGRADUATE STRATEGIC PLAN WITH DR. WUBAH** -
   Dr. Wubah was unable to attend the meeting today so the discussion has been rescheduled for the April 6th meeting.

6. **ADJOURNMENT** -

   The meeting adjourned at 2:52 p.m.

Submitted by,
Karen W. Strickler
Recording Secretary