

Rhode Island College Curriculum Committee

Minutes for Meeting of

November 19, 2010 2:00-4:00 P.M.

Board of Governors Room

Present: Faculty: S. Abbotson (presiding); K. Ainley; M. Aydogdu (replacing S. Basu); D. Blanchette; S. Conklin; C. Marco; C. McLaughlin (Secretary); P. Meyer; J. Olson; R. Pitt; T. Schmeling; E. Simson; A. Snyder.

Students: J. Ogunba

Absent: I. Greitzer

Excused: D. Huntley-Newby; J. Magyar; B. MacDonald; S. McCarthy; J. Meade

Guests: Karen Boren; Ben Lombardo; Karen Berard-Reed; Robin Kirkwood-Auld, Betty Rauhe; Patricia Brennan; Kathleen Johnson; Kerri Tunnicliffe; Leslie Schuster.

1. Call to Order: 2:08
2. Minutes: Meeting of October 15, 2010
Curriculum Committee meeting minutes Moved to approve (Conklin/Simson)
 - Add Andrew Snyder to the "Present" List"Action: Passed Unanimously
3. Report from the Chair:
Curriculum Committee by-laws have been approved and await the signature of the President Carriuolo.
4. Report from COGE:
Postponed until next meeting December 17, 2010
5. New Business:
English
Motion to Approve: (McLaughlin/Snyder)
Request to bundle 10-11-016 and 10-11-017: Approved
 - 10-11-016 Delete ENGL 240.
 - 10-11-017 Delete ENGL 341Action: Unanimously Approved

Motion to Approve: (McLaughlin/Conklin)
 - 10-11-18 Revise English Writing Minor into an English Creative Writing Minor.Action: Unanimously Approved

Women's Studies
Motion to Approve: (McLaughlin/Blanchette)
Request to bundle:10-11-019: Approved
 - 10-11-019 Revise WMST 200. Move from 3 to 4 credit hours.
 - 10-11-020 Revise Women's Studies Program to better reflect current practice.Action: Unanimously Approved

Physical Education

Motion to Approve: (McLaughlin/Pitt)

- 10-11-021 Approve new course PED 402

Action: Unanimously Approved

Request to bundle: 10-11-022 through 10-11-031: Approved

- 10-11-022 Revise course description PED 207
- 10-11-023 Revise course description and prerequisites PED 302
- 10-11-024 Revise course name, description, prerequisites and credits PED 323
- 10-11-025 Revise course prerequisites PED 346
- 10-11-026 Revise course prerequisites PED 410
- 10-11-027 Revise course prerequisites PED 411
- 10-11-028 Revise course prerequisites and credits PED 412
- 10-11-029 Revise course name and description PED 413
- 10-11-030 Revise course name, description and prerequisites PED 415

Friendly editorial for prerequisites, to read: *Prerequisites: PED 409, minimum grade of B and SPED 300 or equivalent, minimum grade of B-, or consent of Department Chair.*

- 10-11-031 Revise course prerequisites PED 426

Action: 12 Yes; 2 Abstentions -- Motion Passes

Delete Courses Not Taught in Three Years

Motion to Approve: (McLaughlin/Conklin)

- 10-11-032 Delete the following courses that have not been taught for three or more years: ANTH 204 Art, Society and Culture, ANTH 322 Region St Cit Anth:Caribbean, BIOL 423 Parasitology, GEN 262 Global Development & World Hunger, GEOG 263 Human Response Natl Disaster, MUS 221 The Symphony, MUS 242 Managing Performance Anxiety, PSYC 400 Issues in Child Growth & Deveop, PSYC 402 Social Psych of Adolescence, SOC 161 Contemp China&Soc Control, SOC 303 The Sociology of Work, SSCI 102 Intro to Comp Use in Soc Sci, WMST 162 Women in Japan, MGT 204 CADD II, CIS 258 Introd to Visual RPG Prog, CIS 356 Introd To Expert Systems, ECON 390 Directed Study, FNED 345 Diversity & The Public School, SED 461 Latinos in the United States, and CTE 304 Career and Tech Ed Guide: Introd.

Action: Unanimously Approved

Curriculum Committee Manual Revisions

Motion to Approve revision of Full Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Manual, including appendix.

(Ainley/Conklin)

- Include page numbers
- Terminology will be reviewed
- Activities related to Committee will be reflected on the website

Action: Motion Approved

6. Other New Business

- Writing Board discussion – Possible role of the Writing Board and relationship to the UCC. Patricia Brennan provided a history of the Writing Board and previous relationship to UCC.
- By-laws for UCC need to be checked against Charter and RIC Council By-laws.
- New General Education proposals may be reviewed by Council for approval.
- Catalog printing discussion related to implementation of changes made during fall and spring
 Catalog schedule for printing is March 1st. This date makes it difficult to get late changes into catalog and creates havoc for advisers.
 Suggestion: Catalog is published biannually, making it difficult to track changes, so instead of this, create an annually published Notebook style catalog which would be better for advising purposes, and updates could then be made annually. Further suggestions for consideration:
 1. Absent any exceptional circumstances, all proposals to be implemented only in the fall;
 2. Most likely, April will be the latest date possible to make changes to catalog, in order to meet publication requirements for incoming students.
 3. The Notebook catalog will be economically printed – in-house.
 4. The notice for date/semester of implementation will appear prominently on the proposal forms.
 Attachment follows for request to publish an “advising catalog” on an annual basis
- A future meeting will include information related to Fall semester implementation for requested changes to catalog.

7. Motion to adjourn. J. Ogunba/K. Ainley
 3:40 PM

Minutes respectfully submitted by Charles McLaughlin

Next meeting: December 17th 2:00 – 4:00 Board of Governors Room Roberts Hall

To:
Ron Pitt, Vice President for Academic Affairs
From:
Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

11/19/2010

The Undergraduate Curriculum Committee strongly recommends that Rhode Island College should endeavor to print the College Catalog on an annual basis to allow it to better reflect current programs and courses. Given that the Catalog is now predominantly used by faculty in advising, and is not printed for the student body, it can be a utilitarian, and less expensive edition. Its timeliness should supersede its appearance.

Furthermore, in the hopes that said edition be as current as possible when it is published, in preparation for each Fall, we would like the print deadline to be as late as possible into the Spring semester so to as include all the year's curricula amendments.

Sue Abbotson
Chair, Undergraduate Curriculum Committee