
Absent: B. Wert

Interpreters: T. Fosse, B. Kovach

Recorder: C. Andreze

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Thanks to Dr. Pang for providing refreshments.

Approval of Minutes

Minutes from the December 5, 2011 department meeting were approved. (Bentley-Sassaman/Wilson)

Spring 2012 Alternative Final Exam Requests

Requests for Alternatives to Final Exam have been received thus far from:
- Dr. Bentley-Sassaman
- Dr. Tucker
- Dr. van der Jagt
- Dr. Walsh

These were approved by faculty (Zilz/van der Jagt), and will be forwarded to Dean Mauch.

General Education Points

GEPs will launch this Fall. Priority courses are those which freshmen or sophomores will be taking Fall 2012. As noted on the Agenda, the following courses are of priority for development and submission for GEPS:
- SPECED 101 – Intro to Indiv w/ Except
- SPECED 275 – Linking Assessment/Instruction
- SPECED 202 – Tech for Indiv w/ Disabilities
- ASLTERP 155 – ASL I
- ASLTERP 226 – ASL II
- ASLTERP 330 – Deaf Culture
- DEAFHH 201 – History, Educ & Guidance D/HH

Dr. Knoster distributed “Goals for General Ed Student Learning Outcomes” and GEPS applied to the Goals for General Ed Student Learning Outcomes”.

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Upcoming meetings of COE: 2/14 and 2/28. We need to push to get these requests submitted in February.

COE Faculty Meeting 1/27/12
Dr. Knoster distributed the PowerPoint from the meeting, along with the latest draft of the COE Strategic Plan. This document may go to faculty for a vote in April; therefore, faculty are encouraged to provide any additional input to Dr. Knoster as soon as possible. Dr. Tucker questioned the technology piece (being technologically current) which appeared to be missing.

Look for an announcement to be made early February regarding a potential gift to establish an Institute on Teacher Excellence in PBS.

Applications are being accepted for funding from the COE Special Initiatives Fund. In addition to this funding source, Dr. Wilson reminded faculty of the availability of the President's Strategic Planning Grants for innovative programs and Centers of Excellence. Faculty are encouraged to submit proposals. See Dr. Knoster if you need assistance getting started.

Planning Retreat
Faculty are reminded to respond to the recent Meeting Wizard inquiry which was sent regarding availability for a planning retreat date in March.

Search & Screen Updates
- Special Ed Position – B. Wilson: Eight applications have been received, in varying degrees of completion. Search closes 2/28/12.
- Deaf/HH Position – D. Stryker: Two completed applications have been received. Search closes 2/28/12.

Announcements:
Faculty are directed to the additional announcements noted on today’s Agenda:
- Faculty are reminded to check out the Assessment Instruments link of COE website.
- Teaching schedules for Summer/Fall 2012. Contact Dr. Knoster with questions/concerns.
- COE Retreat – 4/16/12.
- COE Professional Development Workshop on Diversity and additional diversity requirement for students.
- Note February 13 Department Meeting has been moved to February 20. Special Ed Program Area Meeting moved from February 20 to February 13 – both 3:00 p.m.

Meeting adjourned 4:03 pm

Timothy P. Knoster, Chairperson

Dates