Minutes of the Liberal Studies Committee (LSC)
February 8, 2013
University Center, Dogwood Room

Members Present: Alex Macaulay (Chair), Jim DeConinck, Jane Eastman, Niall Michelsen, Steve Baxley, Travis Bennett, Baldwin Sanders, Debby Singleton, Susan Metcalf

Members Absent: Carol Burton, Erin Myers, Gary Jones, Martin Tanaka, Michelle Scifers

Guest: William Kreahling

Recorder: Ricky Lanning

1. Approval of minutes from the February 1, 2013 meeting:
   • The first agenda item was the approval of the minutes from the February 1, 2013 LSC meeting. Alex brought the minutes from the meeting before the committee and they were subsequently approved. The minutes are now available on the LSC website for viewing. (http://www.wcu.edu/10946.asp).

2. Discussion of Computer Science (CS-190) and CS 191 Course Proposal:
   • The guest began by giving the committee the rationale behind his request for the deletion of the CS 190 course which mainly centered around not having the resources to teach the course. Regarding the proposal of the new course, the guest provided the committee with a general overview of the course while the committee reviewed the AA-5 and syllabus. According to the guest, this course has two purposes:

     1. Introduce students to how computer software works through an introduction to programming in a depth-first manner by studying digital media manipulation.

     2. Using the knowledge of how to write software to aid in the students’ reading, critically analyzing, and writing about how software influences their lives.

   • The committee asked questions concerning the assignments. The guest spoke about the frequency they hope to offer the course. The committee voted to approve the deletion of the course (CS 190), and the committee approved the course proposal (CS 191) pending some minor changes to the syllabus.

3. Old/New Business: None

Time of Meeting Adjournment: 4:30pm