

LSOC Meeting

April 12, 2010

3:30 p.m. Cardinal Room UC 214

Present: Tracy Zontek, Brent Kinser, Steve Baxley, Gayle Wells, Robert Mulligan, Peter Nieckarz, Carol Burton, Alex Macaulay, Shannon Thompson

Guests: Beth Huber

Recorder: Melody Huitt

Minutes

- Peter called the meeting to order.
- The minutes for 02/22/2010 were brought before the committee for approval. Robert made the motion to approve and Tracy seconded the motion. The committee voted and the motion carried. The minutes for 2/22/2010 stand approved.
- Peter introduced Dr. Beth Huber, director of the First Year Composition program and assistant professor for the English department, who attended the meeting to discuss the English 101 and English 102 proposal. The proposal was to remove the sunset clause so that English 101 would be taken the first year and English 102 taken the second year instead of both being taken the first year for both pedagogical and administrative purposes. The committee discussed the Liberal Studies document which states that the courses should be taken the first year and to make this type of approval then the Liberal Studies document would have to be updated to reflect that. Carol stated that the faculty should be involved in substantive changes to the Liberal Studies document. Peter concurred and expressed concern that altering the First Year Composition sequence could potentially have implications for programs beyond Liberal Studies requirements and felt that feedback should be solicited beyond the LSOC. The committee discussed and Brent made a motion to table the proposal pending submission of an AA5 to amend the Liberal Studies Document and an administrative consult to change the Liberal Studies Document sent to the department heads and associate deans by Peter and Carol. Consultations would be due to Carol's office by September 15. Gayle made the motion to approve and Tracy seconded the motion. The committee voted and the motion carried.
- Brent presented and made a motion to remove English 364 from the Liberal Studies Upper Level Perspectives and Tracy seconded the motion. The committee voted and the motion carried.
- The next agenda item discussed was the proposal to amend the course description of ENGL 210. Peter made the motion to approve the change pending the removal of the clause where the course is closed to freshmen. Gayle seconded the motion, the committee voted, and the motion carried.
- Old business was the ENGL/BIOL371 was approved but the syllabus was not changed. Brent is going to follow up with the appropriate faculty to update the syllabus.
- New Business discussed was the recommendation from Faculty Senate that LSOC would be a 15-member committee and the chair elected among the members. The change will be submitted to a general faculty vote and this committee should remain the same for next year.
- The next meeting will be April 19, 2010, Monday at 2:30 pm in the Cardinal Room.
- No other new/old business.

- The meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm.