

Academic Affairs Committee

Draft Minutes April 6, 2011

1. Roll call (3:06 pm)

Present	Member	Department
x	Ken Bentson, Chair	Natural Resources Management
x	Brandon Kempner, Secretary	English
	Gilbert Rivera, ex-officio (Proxy: Linda LaGrange)	Vice President for Academic Affairs
x	Mario Rodriguez	School of Social Work
x	Arlie Tagayuna	Behavioral Science
x	Luis Ortiz	School of Business
x	Cheryl Zebrowski	Library
x	Jim Burns	School of Education
x	John Coca, ex-officio	Registrar
x	Joan Gallini	School of Education
x	John Jeffries	Computational and Mathematical Sciences
	Mary Shaw proxy David Sammeth	Biology and Chemistry
x	Pete LeRoy	Exercise and Sports Science
x	Immanuel Nkwenti	School of Business
	Andre Garcia-Nuthmann	Visual and Performing Arts
	Christina Duran	School of Social Work
	Carmen Vidal-Lieberman	Languages

2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda was made by Dr. Jeffries, seconded by Dr. Burns. Vote was unanimous for approval.

3. Approval of Minutes

Not on agenda because of clerical support issues.

4. Report from VP for Academic Affairs

No report.

5. Report from Registrar

No report.

6. Report from Subcommittees

- 1) Undergrad/Grad Appeals –
Undergrad – 2 appeals, one is old

Grad – 1 petition

2) Centers: Joan Gallini reported there is a lot of work with Education Accreditation taking place. Nothing to report from Albuquerque.

7. Old Business

No old business.

8. New Business

8.1 Educational Leadership revision

Educational Leadership proposed the revision of 5 courses. The intent of the program revision is to bring NMHU into alignment with a statewide mandated set of 5 educational leadership courses. Alignment will result in transferability of NMHU courses to other New Mexico institutions that offer educational leadership programs (UNM, NMSU, ENMU, WNMU, and NMHU). Names of courses are identical across the participating universities. The objectives and contents have been revised into the following core courses:

EDLD 600 Instructional Leadership and Organizational Change (3)

EDLD 615 Scholl Finance and Resource Allocation (3)

EDLD 620 Legal Issues for School Leaders (3)

Edld 640 Instructional Leadership, Supervision and Evaluation (3)

EDLD Data-informed Instructional Leadership (3)

A motion to approve the Educational Leadership Revision proposal was made by Dr. Kempner and seconded by Dr. Nkwenti. The motion was approved unanimously.

8.2 Sociology, Psychology, and Womens' Studies course proposals and revisions.

Dr. Derkas presented a proposal to:

- a) revise Soc 330 Research Methods in Social Relationships by reducing credit hours from 4 to 3;
- b) delete Soc 530 Applied Social Research and Data Analysis (4) and replace it with Psych 601 Data Analysis and statistics (4); and,
- c) new course (cross-listed with existing course Sociology course) WMST 454/554 Women and Globalization (3).

Dr. LeRoy moved approval of the revisions and deletions, which was seconded by Dr. Tagayuna. The proposal was approved unanimously.

8.3 Removal of Prerequisites for Art History 340 and Art History 380

Arth 340 and 380 were approved for inclusion in the University core by Academic Affairs Committee on January 19, 2011. However, it was pointed out that Arth 340 and 380 have prerequisites that prevent their use in the core. Consequently, this proposal was made. Prerequisites were included in these courses by an Art Historian that left the University 10 years ago. Fine arts faculty feel they can deliver these courses without the prerequisites.

Dr. LeRoy moved approval of the proposal and the motion was seconded by Dr. Sammeth. The proposal was approved unanimously.

8.4 Faculty Senate Charge: Draft Outcomes Assessment Handbook Review and Recommendation

The committee moved to table this item, pending the visit of Drs. Hill, Nelson, and/or Jenkins to discuss outcomes assessment at NMHU.

8.5 Math 145 Statistics for Inclusion in the University Core

Other universities provide a core statistics course as an option to College Algebra (Math 140 at NMHU).

The motion was made by Dr. LeRoy to approve Math 145 Introduction to Statistics (3) as a new course and its inclusion in the University core. The motion was seconded by Dr. Burns. The motion was approved by a vote of 6 for the motion, while there was one opposed and one abstention.

9. Adjournment (4:53 pm)