

**Minutes – College Curriculum Committee**  
November 16<sup>th</sup> 2021

- Members present (via Google Meet):
  - O’Malley School of Business: Mary Michel, Yassir Samra
  - School of Education and Health: Jeff Cherubini, Sr. Mary Ann Jacobs – Chair
  - School of Engineering: John Leylegian, Peyman Honarmandi (Took Minutes)
  - School of Liberal Arts: Evelyn Scaramella, Rebecca Kern
  - School of Science: Michael Judge, Matthew Jura
  
- Guests present (via Google Meet):
  - Religious Studies Department: Andrew Skotnicki
  - Modern Languages & Literatures: Marlene Gottlieb
  
- Call to order with quorum at 3:33 pm
  
- Agenda approved: Michael Judge proposed the agenda be accepted, and John Leylegian seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.
  
- Minutes approved: Yassir Samra proposed that the minutes of the OCT 19, 2021 meeting be accepted, and Michael Judge seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.
  
- Chair’s Report – Sr. Mary Ann provided updates for the following items:
  - EAC – There was no meeting since the last EAC meeting held on Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. The EAC members are working on 2023 Calendar; the updates will be forthcoming. Matthew Jura raised a concern to check Easter Holiday in 2023 Calendar.
  - Middle State – Sr. Mary Ann encouraged the CCC members to read the report sent by Kelly Marin and provide their comments, if any.
  
- Proposal For Review:
  - E3MC Proposal: Andrew Skotnicki, program manager and Professor of Religious Studies, completed all the required documents and forms such as the official NYS Education Department paperwork, the Provost’s financial spreadsheet, etc. that asked by CCC in the previous meeting on Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>. The CCC reviewed and discussed the provided documents and asked a few questions of Andrew Skotnicki for clarification. Mary Michel sent the 1<sup>st</sup> motion to approve the proposal, and Michael Judge seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.
  - IIDS Proposal: Marlene Gottlieb, Chair of Modern Languages & Literatures Department, presented the Italian and Italian Diaspora Studies Major Proposal (IIDS). Marlene explained that the major in IIDS will renew commitment to a multilinguist

society and to multiculturalism and build ties with other academic programs here at Manhattan College and with our consortium partner, the College of Mount Saint Vincent (CMSV). She also mentioned that IIDS is not just a major to give students the language proficiency, but it is more toward international cultural competency that provides the interdisciplinary training and eventually more opportunities for our students. Evelyn Scaramella added that many universities have such program and the proposed major is feasible for us since there are a large population of Italian background students at Manhattan College. The CCC thoroughly reviewed and discussed the proposal; then Sr. Mary Ann asked committee members to vote. Rebecca Kern recommended the IIDS proposal to be accepted, and John Leylegian seconded the motion. The motion was passed unanimously.

- Other Business: None was raised.
  
- Next Meeting: The next Meeting scheduled for Dec 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021 with Musa Jafar taking minutes. However, Sr. Mary Ann prompted that the meeting will be postponed to Feb 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022 if there was no proposal for the CCC to review.
  
- Michael Judge proposed to adjourn the meeting at 4:15pm, and Matthew Jura seconded the motion.

\* Nov. 16<sup>th</sup> Minutes taken and submitted by Peyman Honarmandi.