College Curriculum Committee

Minutes of April 16, 2019 Meeting

Kelly Commons Room 3B

The meeting convened at 3:35 p.m.

Members present:

O’Malley School of Business: Fiona Maclachlan, Yassir Samra

School of Education and Health:

School of Engineering: John Leylegian

School of Liberal Arts: Kimberly Fairchild

School of Science: Tina Tian, Helene Tyler (Chair)

CFA:

Excused: Mahmoud Amin, Joan Cammarata, Jeff Cherubini, Lisa Rizopoulos, Evelyn Scaramella,

Guests: Tikeyah Sears, Kayla Valentino, and Mark Pottinger

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Since we did not have quorum, the meeting was more informational without any official voting.

OMSB – Honors Program

Helene Tyler reported on the last EAC meeting. Helene couldn’t attend the March meeting and she mentioned that we need to approve new programs. Since she wasn’t at the March one, these new approvals had to be tabled till April although Provost William Clyde said essentially that the CCC doesn’t have to approve the Honors program to which Dr. Tyler stated that since we are charged with concentrations and minors, the Honors program is an even greater curriculum matter and should be approved. There was some discussion by members including the structure of courses within the new Honors program and to test this out on students within the same section of more introductory level courses before coming up with new honors courses. The “vote” in favor for this program was unanimous with the members present, but an official vote will be taken when quorum is met at the next meeting in May.

Public Health

Kayla Valentino and Tekeyah Sears spoke on the new degree in Public Health that will have two different tracks: Community Health/population and Healthcare Services and Administration. They mentioned that the current Allied Health program will be more geared towards public health and will eventually be phased out and just have students come in for a degree in Public Health. There was some discussion on the new courses that are being offered and having adjunct faculty serve as instructors coming in from the field to better serve our students as there are currently 4 full-time faculty and the adjuncts currently teach the majority of the courses. One comment was raised by Dr. Fiona Maclachlan that stated Mgmt-320 (Human Resource Management) as a required course in the Public Health program but does not include the pre-requisite of Mgmt-201. She suggested that Econ-204 (Macroeconomics) be used as a replacement. A vote will be taken at the next meeting with a revised document.

Sound Studies

Mark Pottinger presented the Sound Studies program that is a new study of music studies to really understand music to better understand society. This allows the college to better compete with programs that have long established histories with music allowing incoming students to better experience the world through studying Sound Studies. It also allows for students from the School of Science and current majors in the School of Arts to take courses in areas that can have more meaning in their academic careers. Dr. Pottinger would be happy to share a link that contained syllabi for the new courses. He also mentioned that no new tenure track faculty will be hired until the program is filled with more students. Currently, the department is branching off from music and theater and then there’s art history and digital media. Dr. Pottinger would keep adding more adjuncts who are usually PhD holders or Masters in Music. He mentioned that this new program can attract 10 new students who would look at Manhattan College and not current students looking to change majors. A vote will be held at the May meeting.

Next meeting

Since quorum couldn’t be met, a final meeting will be held on May 15th.

Respectfully submitted,

Yassir Samra