

UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE
2018-19 Meeting #16, February 25, 2019

Present: Diane Prorak, Cher Hendricks, Taylor Raney, Sanjay Sisodiya, Bert Baumgaertner, Dean Panttaja, Mark Nielsen, David Pimentel, Liz Brandt, Hannah Spear, Julie Beeston, Jean-Marc Gauthier

Absent: Jesse Smith, Irene Ogidan, Madi Bergeman, Robert Heinse, Tara Hudiburg

Others present: Grace Miller, Rebecca Frost, Dwaine Hubbard, Mark Warner

The UCC15 minutes were approved.

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Mark Nielsen introduced the Geological Sciences reorganization. He noted that the college would like to offer the Resource Exploration option, but there is not enough demand. He also noted that there is no action currently being taken on the Geological Education option. Chairperson Raney noted that the Geological Education option does not include teaching certification. Cher Hendricks noted that the option has had one enrollment and no completes in the last 10 years. Nielsen noted that it is far easier to reshape existing curriculum than to add an entirely new piece. The reorganization was approved.

Discussion

The members discussed methods of preparing new committee members for service on the UCC, like a meeting with the Chair at the beginning of the semester, a training manual prepared by the Registrar's Office, and a 1st year/3rd year mentorship system. Chairperson Raney noted that the Chair is looked to for guidance, but does not deal directly with the administrative materials. He also noted that expectations change from Chair to Chair.

It was noted that in order to adjust procedures, the Faculty-Staff handbook would need to be edited. Liz Brandt noted that Faculty Senate will meet into April.

Mark Warner noted that with earlier appointments, committee members would have more time to prepare and could possibly sit in on meetings at the end of the previous cycle. Sanjay Sisodiya noted that if colleges designated their own representatives, they could choose members with significant curricular experience.

Hearing no additional questions, Chairperson Raney closed the meeting at 4PM.

UCC will reconvene on Monday, March 4, 2019.

Grace Miller

UCC Secretary