

NTC Faculty Meeting Minutes

November 20, 2019

In Attendance Voting:

Michele Adams, Laura Adderley, Thomas Albrecht, Alessandra Bazzano, Shannon Blady, Amy Chaffee, Pierre Conner, Robert Connor, Brian DeMare, Katie Edwards, Chris Fettweis, Donald Gaver, Scott Grayson, Sanda Groome, Douglas Harris, Trenton Holliday, Janarthanan Jayawickramarajah, Lev Kaplan, Scot Kuban, Anastasia Kurdia, Michael Kuczynski, Tiffany Lin, Jana Lipman, Susann Lusnia, Matt Martinez, Adam McKeown, Laura McKinney, Michael Mislove, Gans Narayanamoorthy, Noshir Pesika, Amy Pfrimmer, Tom Reese, Chris Rodning, Katie Russell, Nicholas Sandoval, Christine Smith, Laura Schrader, Erick Smith, Brian Summa, Michael Syrimis, Jeff Tasker, Ryder Thornton, Erick Valentine

In Attendance Nonvoting:

Lanie Dornier, Suri Duitch, Kimberly Foster, Ryan Garrity, Kelly Grant, Michael Hogg, Ilianna Kwaske, Celeste Lay, Casey Love, Max Manasevit, Sarah Montes, Colette Raphel, Ralph Russo, Lee Skinner, Charlotte Maheu Vail, Beth Wee

3:36: Call to order by Dean Skinner

3:36: Approval of the minutes

Professor McKeown presented the minutes from September 18, 2019. They were approved.

3:38: Dean's Update

Skinner gave brief NTC update on the hiring of new Assistant Dean and Executive Director of career services Edward Cruz.

3:38: Curriculum Committee Report

Professor Groome (Business) reported on the Curriculum Committee's motion to allow NTC students to major in SoPA's

- Information Technologies major and minor
- Exercise Science major and minor
- Teaching, Learning, and Training minor

Associate Dean Kwaske (SoPA) gave a slide presentation during which the following topics were reviewed: the history of SoPA majors open to NTC students: SoPA's program development process. Discussion followed as summarized:

Concerns raised by faculty: revenue and SoPA's budget; number of full time faculty versus adjunct faculty; differences between Computer Science coordinate majors (NTC) and Information Technologies (SoPA majors); NTC students majoring solely in SoPA's majors.

4:04: Motion from committee to approve the two majors passes with three opposed.

4:04: Motion to approve the minors passes with one opposed.

4:06: Cambridge Assessment Exams

Discussion is opened on admission's office proposal to accept transfer credit from Cambridge Assessment exams. The role of the Cambridge Exams in creating access for international and public school students is discussed. It is mentioned that Tulane is not a leader and many of our peer schools already accept the Cambridge Assessment Exams.

4:10: Motion to approve passes with zero opposed.

4:10: Committee Academic Integrity Report

Professor Rodning (Anthropology) presented on the committee's report on Academic Integrity, highlighting the need for an expansion of advisors for students facing charges of academic misconduct, and expanding the pool of potential honor board panelists. He also reported that in the 2019 spring semester there were 76 reported cases of academic misconduct.

4:15 Motion to change the name and charge of the committee to Committee for Academic Integrity, to enlarge the pool of faculty members available to serve on boards, to ensure representation from across the schools.

4:22 Motion from the Academic Integrity committee passes by the required 2/3 vote.

4:23 New business and old business

Question on increasing staff for study abroad support was raised and briefly discussed.

Question on increasing staff for mental health support and support for faculty trying to facilitate student mental health support. There is a brief discussion including the current programs being offered by CAPs. It is suggested that a presentation for faculty could be arranged for a future meeting.

4:32 Meeting adjourned.