Educational Policy and Planning Committee (EPPC)

MINUTES

October 3, 2023 | Time 10am

via Zoom: https://ucdenver.zoom.us/j/97522609238

In attendance: Chair, Wendy Bolyard, School of Public Affairs; Jing Zhang, School of Business; Jefferson Knight, CLAS; Lori Elliott, School of Education; Stephen Hartke, CLAS; Kodi Saylor, Library.

Guest speaker: David Hildebrand, CLAS

Absent: Mattew Shea, College of Architecture and Planning; Margaret Woodhull, CLAS.

1. **Call to order**: Wendy called the meeting at 10:01 am.

2. **Approval of Minutes from September**: Minutes approved (Stephen called the motion, Jeff seconded). All in favor of approval.

3. **Elect EPPC Vice Chair**: Christopher stepped down. If you are willing to be the vice Chair, please reach out to Wendy and we will vote in our next meeting.

   Jeff expressed his willingness to serve the Vice Chair role.

4. **Academic Transformation Working Groups - EPPC representatives needed***
   - Reimagining the Core Curriculum*
   - Academic Program Viability and Curricular Innovation: cochaired by Wendy.
   - Academic Personnel Workload Parity and Class Size Variability*
   - Time Use and Academic Calendar Review

Wendy: For Academic program viability, we want representatives from every college/school. We need more volunteers for the Core Curriculum and Personnel workload working groups.
Kodi: I am already on the committee.
Wendy: We don't want a member that represents more than two groups.
Lori : What is the difference between the task forces and these committees?
Wendy: We believe the working groups are more tied specifically to budget crisis and the long term viability and operations of the university.
Stephen: I am interested in the Time Use and Academic Calendar Review working group.

5. **Attendance Policy – Margaret Wood**

Wendy: Margaret has formed a small committee about attendance policy. Margaret needs more people to serve on this committee. We need EPPC representation on this committee. If you are interested in working on attendance policy, please step up.
Jeff: Just to clarify that the university already has an attendance policy and this committee is working on updating/revising this policy.
Stephen: What is the likelihood that this time some changes will take place?

Wendy: We will try our best to make sure this time it will get approved.
Stephen: I am willing to work on this committee.

6. **CLAS Artificial Intelligence (AI) Working Group**
    a. Review document
    b. Debrief from David Hildebrand

David: Implication of ChatGPT on CLAS: syllabus policy includes statement about the use of AI. Give some suggested language for faculty to use on syllabus. Hold discussions with faculty group about issues related to AI. Campus policy regarding plagiarism already covered ChatGPT and AI-related tools.
Jeff: I already started using the document in one of my courses.
David: ChatGPT is currently being sued for violation of intellectual property laws.
Jing: What about the use of ChatGPT to write essays for scholarship applications?
David: We currently do not have a policy about using ChatGPT in scholarship applications. This is an issue we need to discuss in the future.
Jeff: How often your group will reconvene and update the policy?
David: We have a limited time of meeting about 20 hours. We will meet again in Spring to discuss existing issues.
Kodi: I have seen many syllabi with many different ChatGPT-related statements. Are faculty supposed to pick a statement from the document?
David: Faculty have some discretion in choosing statements related ChatGPT. Faculty can copy and paste the statements from the document.
Wendy: We will continue to discuss this topic in our next meeting. Please review the document if you have not already done so.

7. **EPPC Priorities for AY 2023-2024**
    a. Next meeting
        i. Grade forgiveness
        ii. Beth Meyers, CORE initiative

8. **Other business/announcements**

9. **Next meeting** – request to change time

    Can we move our meeting to Monday/Wednesday? A doodle poll will be sent out.

10. **Adjournment –Meeting ends at 10:50am.**

Documents can also be found in Microsoft Teams.