

LAC Committee Meeting Minutes

February 6, 2015

8:15-9:15 a.m.

378 Rod Library

ATTENDEES: Deedee Heistad, Colleen Sullivan, Blake Findley, Jean Neibauer, Michael Klassen, Gary Gute, Susan Roberts-Dobie, Donna Vinton, Ryan McGeough, Paul Andersen, Kimberly Cline-Brown, Lori Van Hooreweghe

Heistad opened the meeting at 8:15 a.m.

She asked for a motion to approve the minutes from the 1/23/15. Minutes were approved by consensus.

Heistad offered a BAS update. She said there is some pushback with false stories being circulated about how the LAC's proposal was created and whether or not it was a directive from the administration and attempts by some faculty members were looking to create their own LAC committee to counter the proposal under consideration. Roberts-Dobie said she was insulted by this activity. She said that the LAC members are elected by their peers and it is inappropriate to try and create a new quasi-government when your elected officials are not doing what you want them to do. Heistad encourages all to attend the all faculty meeting on 2/23/15 in the Ballroom. Heistad will give a presentation at that meeting. She suggested the committee take no action at this time and watch to see how things work out. Heistad said it is a possibility that she can go to department meetings, meet with department heads to listen and discuss the LAC proposal on the BAS degree. Heistad reminded the LACC that while the way in which the discussion was getting started was unfortunate, the draft proposal was going to get vetted all the same, just as the LACC had intended.

Heistad said that we have the consultation form from Dimensions of Well Being (DWB) which proposes adding DWB to the curriculum and eventually eliminating personal wellness from the core. She asked for feedback on the consultation. Discussion followed on the positive points as well as the challenges the proposal presents. Klassen moved and McGeough seconded to approve their proposal pending receipt of additional information that Heistad will request. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion then turned to the Biology consultation on the table. Discussion followed on whether or not majors courses should actually be a genuine part of the core, or should be counted as satisfaction of a particular requirement for students in a declared major. Music presently does this. Heistad will meet with affected departments and seek more information and the discussion will continue at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 9:17 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sue Jordan