

## **Curriculum Committee Full Meeting 04/01/2015**

### **Attendees:**

<b>Department</b>	<b>Representative</b>
Anthropology	Perry, W.
Biology	Rollin, R.
Biomolecular Sciences	Dobbs-McAuliffe, B.
Chemistry and Biochemistry	Watton, S.
Computer Science	Williams, C.
Criminology & Criminal Justice	Schnobrich-Davis, J.
Economics	Dhar, P.
Education Leadership	Watson, S.
Education Leadership	Clark, L.
Engineering	Vasko, T.
English	Karpuk, P
English/Grad Curriculum	Leonidas, E.
Finance	He, F.
Journalism	D'Ambrosio, M.
Library	Krui, M.
Management & Organization	Fearon, D.
Manufacturing & Construction Management	Salama, T.
Marketing	Chiang, K.
MBA (guest)	Snyder, J.
Mathematical Sciences	Anton, M.
Modern Languages	Pesca, C.
Music	Knox, C.
Philosophy/ CLASS Dean	Adams, D.
Physical Ed.	Ciotto, C.
Physics/Engineering Physics	Sadanand, N.

Political Science	Smith, R.
Psychological Science	Bowman, L.
SEPS Deans office	Bigley, M.
Social Work	Leon, J.
Sociology	Showers, F.

### **Meeting Called to Order 3:18pm**

**Approval of Previous Minutes** Minutes approved with some modification, *vis.* that the sentence (item 26) “DA also noted that Gen Ed. will need to be trimmed to increase elbow room for programs having large credit requirements. “ Should be modified to indicate that this indicated DA’s opinion, rather than policy. Hence “DA also suggested that Gen Ed. may need to be trimmed to increase elbow room for programs having large credit requirements. “ Similarly, PK proposed assessment of current Gen. Ed. program to determine whether it needs to be “fixed”.” Minutes modified to indicating that this sentence indicated PK’s opinion; hence “PK suggested that assessment of current Gen. Ed. program might be valuable to determine whether it needs to be “fixed”.

**Consent Agenda** Approved with no discussion

### **Items Removed From Consent Agenda**

#### **II. New Business**

##### **A. Proposed course and program changes**

10. Course revision to FIN310. Change prerequisites to STAT201 and FIN295. STAT201 may be taken concurrently, for benefit of students entering program from community colleges. Approved.

11. Course revision to JRN237. Wording changed to “Majors and minors only. First semester at CCSU as a declared journalism major or minor. (Note: After Spring 2016, students declaring the major or minor after 1<sup>st</sup> semester at CCSU or transferring will be given other one-credit options).” Approved with amended language.

20-34. Considered as package. EXS Course revisions (20-32) and program changes (33-34). Prerequisite changes to courses amended where applicable: “Declared major in Pre-Athletic Training.” Item 21 cycling changed to every semester. Item 27: “Declared major in Pre-Exercise or Exercise Science”. Approved as amended.

35. Addition of new concentrations to physics major; Biology, BMS and Finance. Concerns raised over accounting of total credits, particularly double counting of course credits for gen. education. Also, likelihood of completion in four years (particularly for Finance concentration). Postponed to next round pending clarification of credit and timing issues.

36. Addition of SEST481 (MCAT Review). Language amended to change commas to “and” in all cases. Approved as amended.

36 (b). Periodic review of General Education. Approved current list of objectives in substance and principle. Any amendments to language may be raised at next meeting.

37. Addition of mission statement and revised learning outcomes to CCSU’s general education program. Unedited, unrevised version was approved by Gen. Ed. subcommittee. Goal of discussion: to approve version to be sent to chairs and Deans.

Discussion points:

Robbin Smith suggested that mission statement should be short, general and broad, with specific objectives being expressed directly beneath. PK raised concern that absence of specifics from mission statement may precursor to removal of objectives. DA indicated that shorter version would still be substantive and in line with NEASC guidelines. Martha noted that mission statement is not intended for guiding assessment of students or program, but to express what program is about. PK remained concerned that abbreviated version misses a number of important aspects.

Edits to abbreviated version approved as follows:

Sentence 3: Remove “both in economic and civic terms”. Sentence 4: Remove “Economically”; Sentence now starts at “Not only...”; Sentence 5: Remove “Politically”; Sentence now starts with “Such studies...”.

Statement approved as amended.

Meeting adjourned 4:57pm.

Faithfully Submitted 04/29/15

Stephen P. Watton, Secretary