Discovery Committee Minutes, Nov 13, 2019

Present: Nicky Gullace (chair), Kathrine Aydelott (vice chair), Hope Anderson, Sajay Arthanat, Norma Bazylinski, Jay Colbert, Andy Colby, Roger Grinde, Lisa MacFarlane, Greg McMahon, Subhash Minocha, Sarah Prescott, Amy Oliva, Charles Vannette, Terri Winters

Absent: Art Greenberg

I. Welcome and Announcements – Nicky Gullace welcomed new Faculty Senate rep, Jay Colbert, and PCBE rep, Roger Grinde.

II. Action Items

Minutes
Motion: Kathrine Aydelott moved and Greg McMahon seconded approval of the minutes of the Oct 2, 2019 meeting.
Vote: Yes 6; No 0; Abs 1. Motion passed. Minutes approved.

Course and/or Program Review

COLA
LAW 444H – Asking For It: The History & Law of Sexual Violence in the United States – SS/INQ (This course is an existing 440 Honors Symposium course that has been revised to propose for Honors 444. Plan is to no longer offer the course as part of the Honors Symposium.)
Motion: Subhash Minocha moved and Greg McMahon seconded to approve LAW 444H for SS.
Vote: Yes 7; No 0; Abs 0. Motion passed. Course approved for SS.
Motion: Sarah Prescott moved and Subhash Minocha seconded to approve LAW 444H for INQ.
Vote: Yes 7; No 0; Abs 0. Motion passed. Course approved for INQ.

Transfer Course(s)

1) Middlesex Community College course HIS 130 History of World Civilization Before 1500 for WC
Motion: Greg McMahon moved and Sajay Arthanat seconded to approve HIS 130 for WC.
Vote: Yes 7; No 0; Abs 0. Motion passed. Course approved for WC.

2) Middlesex Community College course HIS 131 History of World Civilization After 1500 for WC. (DC determined no vote necessary due to approval of HIS 130.)

3) Marymount Manhattan course MATH 113 Mathematics of Social Choice for QR
Motion: Roger Grinde moved and Greg McMahon to approve MATH 113 for QR.
Vote: Yes 0; No 7; Abs 0. Motion denied. Course denied for QR.

4) SNHU course HIS 200 Applied History for SS or HUMA
Motion: Greg McMahon moved and Charles Vannette seconded to approve HIS 200 for SS.
Vote: Yes 0; No 7; Abs 0. Motion denied. Course denied for SS.
Motion: Greg McMahon moved and Charles Vannette seconded to approve HIS 200 for HUMA.
Vote: Yes 0; No 7; Abs 0. Motion denied. Course denied for HUMA.

5) Manchester Community College course BIO 130 Marine Biology for BS
Motion: Kathrine Aydelott moved and Sarah Prescott seconded to approve BIO 130 for BS.
Vote: Yes 0; No 7; Abs 0. Motion denied. Course denied for BS.

6) UMaine Orono course PAX 201 for HUMA
Motion: Kathrine Aydelott moved and Sarah Prescott seconded to approve PAX 201 for HUMA.
Vote: Yes 7; No 0; Abs 0. Motion approved. Course approved for HUMA.

7) Tidewater Community College course REL 215 New Testament & Early Christianity for HUMA
Motion: Kathrine Aydelott moved and Jay Colbert seconded to approve REL 215 for HUMA.
Vote: Yes 7; No 0; Abs 0. Motion approved. Course approved for HUMA.

Student Petitions

1. Request to allow Suffolk County Community College course THR 105 Acting I to fulfill FPA.
   Vote: Yes 7; No 0; Abs 0. Petition approved. (dqcpss102819)

2. Request to allow Suffolk County Community College course THR 105 Acting I to fulfill FPA.
   Vote: Yes 7; No 0; Abs 0. Petition approved. (dqcpss110719)
3. Request to allow UNH course HIST 580 History of Japan in Modern Times to fulfill HP.
   **Vote:** Yes 4; No 3; Abs: 0. **Petition approved.** (tttotsa102219)

4. Request to allow UNH course THDA 562 Ballet II to fulfill FPA.
   **Vote:** Yes 0; No 7; Abs 0. **Petition denied.** Discovery courses must carry a minimum of 3 credits. (tttotsa102219)

5. Request to allow NHTI course ENGL 201-C Composition II to fulfill FPA.
   **Vote:** Yes 7; No 0; Abs 0. **Petition approved.** (ekcolsa103119)

**III. Discussion**

Discovery 2020 Review – Nicky gave a brief report on the work of the Discovery Review Committee (DRC) to date. The DRC continues to discuss ideas for potential revisions to Discovery that address concerns regarding the current program, as well as conform to current general education best practices. The DC also discussed the idea that a revised Discovery/gen ed. program be piloted for a period of up to 3 years before being launched university-wide, which has been successful at other universities. Nicky reminded the committee that DC members Kathrine Aydelott and Sajay Arthanat also serve on the DRC. Nicky, Kathrine, and Sajay will continue to keep the DC updated on Discovery review progress.

**Meeting adjourned 1:35pm.**
Submitted by Amy M. Oliva, Admin Director