Discovery Committee Minutes, February 6, 2019

Present: Nicoletta Gullace (chair), Kathrine Aydelott (vice chair), Jake Adams, Sajay Arthanat, Norma Bazylinski, Daniel Carchidi, Andy Colby, Greg McMahon, Dawn Meredith, Amy Oliva, Catherine Peebles, Charles Vannette
Absent: Subhash Minocha, Vanessa Druskat

I. Welcome and Announcements

II. Action Items

Minutes
Motion: Kathrine Aydelott moved and Greg McMahon seconded approval of the minutes of the December 12, 2018 meeting.
Vote: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abs: 1. Motion passed. Minutes approved.
Motion: Dawn Meredith moved and Sajay Arthanat seconded approval of the minutes of the January 9, 2019 meeting.
Vote: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abs: 1. Motion passed. Minutes approved.

Course and/or Program Review

Transfer Courses (UNHM request)
Franklin Pierce - GLE 210 Ancient and Medieval Worlds – WC
Motion to approve: Charles Vannette, second Greg McMahon – Vote: Yes 6; No 0; Abs: 0. Course approved for WC.

Franklin Pierce - ED 105 Educational Psychology – SS
Motion to approve: Sajay Arthanat, second Dawn Meredith – Vote: Yes 6; No 0; Abs: 0. Course approved for SS.

Franklin Pierce - BI 302 Food Production – ETS
Motion to approve: Dawn Meredith, second Kathrine Aydelott – Vote: Yes 0; No 6; Abs: 0. Course denied for ETS.

Keene State - IAMU 417 Avant Rock – FPA
Motion to approve: Dawn Meredith, second Kathrine Aydelott – Vote: Yes 5; No 1; Abs: 0. Course approved for FPA.

Plymouth State - ESP 2110 Intro to Environmental Science & Policy – ETS
Motion to approve: Dawn Meredith, second Kathrine Aydelott – Vote: Yes 6; No 0; Abs: 0. Course approved for ETS.

Mass College of Pharmacy & Health Science – SSC 495O Evolution of the Health Professions: Historical and Public Policy Perspectives on Health and Illness – HP
Motion to approve: Greg McMahon, second Dawn Meredith – Vote: Yes 6; No 0; Abs: 0. Course approved for HP.

Note: The DC discussed how transfer courses are evaluated for Discovery fit. In order to help clear hurdles to completion for students who transfer courses to UNH, Nicky would like to propose that transfer courses be evaluated strictly on Discovery category/attribute fit and alignment with Discovery category SLO’s, and not consider whether a UNH course equivalent exists. This will be discussed further at a future DC meeting.

Student Petitions

1. Request to allow living in Iraq until age 17 yrs to fulfill WC.
   Vote: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abs: 1. Petition approved. (ajcjeep011019)

2. Request to allow Prescott College course Revolutions: The Latin American Experience to fulfill HP requirement.
   Vote: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abs: 1. Petition approved. (ajcjeep011719)

3. Request to allow Charles Univ. (Prague) course CUFA SOC 353 Landscape & Sociology: Understanding of Czech & European Landscapes to fulfill HUMA requirement.
   Vote: Yes: 0; No: 5; Abs: 1. Petition denied. Course does not meet HUMA criteria. (mpcolsa012519)

4. Request to allow UVM course NFS 063 Obesity, Weight Control & Fitness to fulfill BS requirement.
   Vote: Yes: 0; No: 4; Abs: 3. Petition denied. Course does not meet BS criteria. (spscpeps012819)

5. Request to allow AP Environmental Science (Seton Hall course) to fulfill ETS requirement.
   Vote: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abs: 1. Petition approved. (jrcloala012919)

6. Request to allow River Valley CC Running Start course Probability & Statistics to fulfill QR requirement.
   Vote: Yes: 5; No: 0; Abs: 1. Petition approved. (ajcjeep0112718)
III. Discussion

INQUIRY Online - Nicky reported on Faculty Senate meeting and discussion regarding INQ online. Some faculty felt the INQ 444 courses should be protected and only INQ Attribute be allowed to be taught online. Senate vote is expected Feb 11, 2019.

Discovery 2020 review – Nicky will attend Mar 4 2019 Senate Agenda Committee meeting for discussion of program review including review committee representation.

Student Senate – Jake Adams has arranged for Nicky to attend a Student Senate Academic Affairs Committee meeting and future meeting of the full Senate.

Student Petition Guidelines – Discussion of whether petitioning guidelines should be posted on the Discovery website. DC agreed it could be helpful to post. It was pointed out that it does not make sense to post what is looked on unfavorably, particularly as we are about to enter program review. Posting instructions with links would be more helpful. Amy offered to revise guidelines proposed in the past when this idea has been discussed.

New UNH Honors College – Catherine Peebles informed the DC of plans for the Honors Program to become an Honors College. Some ideas being discussed are students starting with a common experience; moving away from prescriptive requirements; enlisting committed faculty for 3-yr terms (compensated); and more. Planning is in the early stages and a launch date has not yet been set.

Meeting adjourned 1:30pm. Submitted by Amy M. Oliva, Admin Director