ABILENE CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY - DALLAS BRANCH CAMPUS
CGPS ACADEMIC COUNCIL
March 16, 2021
3 pm CST
Meeting via Zoom Video Teleconference
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CALL TO ORDER

The regular meeting of the ACU Dallas Academic Council was called to order at 3 pm, on March 16, 2021, on Zoom video conference, by Joseph Halbert, Chair.

OPENING CEREMONIES

Joey Halbert gave the invocation.

ROLL CALL

Members in attendance: Joseph Halbert (Chair), Dean Counts, Chai Weston Green, Kipi Fleming, Linda Gibson, Tiffany Dahlman, J. Scott Self, Brian Cole, Jason Morris, Kathy Carrol, Meghan Hope, Brenda McAdoo, Beckie Weaver
Members absent: Sara Salkil (excused)

Guests present: Lori Anne Shaw, Joey Cope, Mark McCallon, Nannette Glenn, Eric Gumm, Karen Witemeyer, Jessica Smith, Be Ries

QUORUM

A quorum was present.

INFORMATION

Dr. Joey Cope explained that updates were made to the Council approval chart. He explained that two additional items/clarifications were added to the scope of CGPS Academic Council's authority. The draft of the new items included:

> *6. Reviews and recommends changes to the university catalog specifically pertaining to the ACU Dallas campus in regard to (1) general requirements for graduation including course requirements that are common to all majors for all degrees; (2) admissions requirements; (3) policies governing academic probation and suspension; and (4) requirements for graduating with honors. Approval of any such recommendation shall be made by a majority vote of the CGPS Academic Council members who are also full-time faculty members.*
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> *7. The CGPS Academic Council serves the faculty review function for the Dallas campus for any institutional curricular question that requires this step.*

Dr. Cope noted via the proposal that the draft language could be subject to technical revisions when formalized.

MINUTES

The minutes from February 2021 were approved as presented.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Undergraduate Probation & Suspension Policy

Dr. Joey Cope explained the difficulty of applying the current undergraduate (UG) probation and suspension policy to ACU Dallas ("ACU Online") UG students because of ACU Dallas's 6-session system. Dr. Cope explained some alignment of terminology. Dr. Eric Gumm explained that the proposed policy aligns with the online graduate student policy.

Dr. Brian Cole moved to approve the new policy, and the motion carried with the required approval from full-time faculty as required by the new scope mentioned in the Announcements above.

[Dr. Mark Phillips is present. He was teaching an in-person class on campus.]

2. BIBO 325

Dr. Ben Ries explained the new course application. The course previously ran two times as a Special Topics Course. The Chair discussed the choice of the "BIBO" designation. Dr. Karen Witemeyer asked whether the "BIBO designation needed additional approvals. Dr. Jessica Smith explained that university requirements were being updated soon on the campus-wide level, so her preference was to continue to address both the special topics version and the "BIBO" version of the course on a substitution basis. The Chair asked whether it would be better to hold off on approving the course until changes were made. Dr. Smith answered that since both are subbed, the course could be approved. Dr. Eric Gumm suggested changing the 30-character name to "Christian Perspective Vocation" since that would be more useful on the transcript. Dr. Ries agreed and laid out other technical changes to the application.

Dr. Self moved to amend the course application to include suggested changes. The amendment was approved.

Dr. Fleming moved to approve the course application as amended. The motion passed, and BIBO 325 as amended was approved 12-0-1.

3. EdD in Organizational Leadership Program Revision

Dr. Brian Cole explained the program revision and its intent - to help students reaching the dissertation stage be better prepared for its research requirements. He explained that in some cases, it was falling on dissertation chairs to guide the student. He explained that the revision would remove one course to make room for the new required course but that other existing courses cover the material. Dr. Karen Witemeyer expressed appreciation for the markup document explaining the changes. Dr. J. Scott Self expressed appreciation for the change and expected it to impact the dissertation preparation process significantly.

[Phil Vardiman is now present. He was teaching an in-person course on campus.]

Dr. Self moved to approve the program revision. The motion carried with the unanimous approval of voting members. Chair abstained.

4. LEAD 736 Revision

Dr. Cole explained the course revision. Dr. Kathy Carrol moved to approve the revision. The motion carried with the unanimous approval of voting members. Chair abstained.

5. LEAD 757 Revision

Dr. Cole explained the course revision. This course is the final course of the positive leadership concentration. Dr. Dena Counts moved to approve the measure. The motion carried with the unanimous approval of voting members. Chair abstained.

6. Marketing Program Revision (MKTO)

Dr. Mark Phillips explained the revisions. They included "O" course designations necessary for online students, as well as adjusting the range of course accepted to fulfill specific requirements. Dr. Phillips explained the revisions resulted from seeing how the program functioned in practice over time and was "largely housekeeping."

Dr. Meghan Hope moved to approve the marketing program revision. The motion carried with the unanimous approval of all voting members. Chair abstained.

7. Management Program Revision (MGMO)

Dr. Mark Phillips explained the revisions, noting they were made for most of the same reasons as the previously discussed marketing program revisions. Dr. Self moved to approve the program revision. The motion carried with the unanimous approval of all voting members. Chair abstained.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Meeting

Since Tuesdays are now grading days for faculty, the Chair proposed moving the standing meeting to the third Monday of each month as opposed to the third Tuesday. The Chair explained UGEC meets on Wednesdays, so that would not work. He queried on-campus faculty to determine whether Mondays at 3 pm would be a problem.

Since there were no concerns, the next meeting will occur on MONDAY, 19 April, 2021 3 pm Central. Dr. Ries asked whether new business items would be submitted on the preceding Monday or Tuesday. Chair Halbert explained he was not meeting monthly with Dr. Smith and so he would consider whether to keep the due date at Tuesdays or Mondays.

ADJOURNMENT
The chair adjourned the meeting at 3:48 pm CST.

APPROVAL
Minutes approved this 19th day of February, 2021.

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Joseph Halbert, Chair