

**WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY  
FACULTY SENATE  
WMU ESSENTIAL STUDIES COURSE REVIEW AND APPROVAL COMMITTEE  
Minutes of 25 March 2019**

**Members Present:** Charles Bruce, Paul Engelmann, Beth Ernst, Decker Hains, Jennifer Harrison, Gina Kling, Lois Lemon, Ilana Nash, Pablo Pastrana, Matthew Ross, Kathryn Thomsen, Kathryn Wagner, Kevin Wanner, Greg Veeck

**Members Absent:** Kirsty Eisenhart, Michele McGrady, Matilda McLean, Amy Naugle, Carol Weideman

**Ex Officio Member Absent:** Marilyn Kritzman

**Advisory Members Present:** Diana Blouin, Mervyn Elliott, Nick Gauthier, Shannon Myers, David Reinhold, Colleen Stano, Sharon VanDyken

**Advisory Member Absent:** Anthony Helms, Melinda Lockett, Richard McMullen, Tammi Smith

Committee Vice Chair Jennifer Harrison called the meeting to order at 10 a.m.

**PROCEDURAL ITEMS**

*Acceptance of the Agenda*

A motion was made by Engelmann, seconded by Ernst, to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

*Approval of Minutes – 11 March 2019*

A motion was made by Bruce, seconded by Ross, to approve the 11 March meeting minutes as presented. Motion carried.

*Vice Chair's Remarks – Harrison*

Harrison stated that today's meeting time would be devoted to breaking into teams for discussion of proposals.

*WMU Essential Studies Director Remarks – Elliott*

Elliott noted that all files that remain in the shared OneDrive still need to be reviewed by the committee. He asked that any questions or corrections be directed to him.

**TEAM BREAK-OUT SESSIONS**

Teams had the opportunity to meet and discuss course proposals.

**DISCUSSION/INFORMATION ITEMS**

*Retreat Planning – 5 April*

Voting will take place at the retreat for the next set of course proposals.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The WMU Essential Studies Course Review and Approval Committee will meet next on 5 April 2019 from 8 a.m. to 12 p.m. in the Bernhard Center, rooms 157-159. Vice Chair Jennifer Harrison adjourned the meeting at 11:45 a.m.

Submitted by: Colleen Stano, Secretary