

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE

UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES COUNCIL
Tuesday, 6 December 2011, 3 p.m.
Faculty Lounge, Bernhard Center

Members present: N. Andreadis, K. Baldner, B. Ferrin, K. Hearit, K. Hillenbrand, P. Krawutschke, M. Kritzman, D. Ravotas, D. Reinhold (for Provost Greene), D. Sachs, C. Thralls. **Absent without substitution:** A. Anderson, R. Aravamuthan, V. Torano, G. Whitehurst. **Guests:** Paula Andrasi (Holistic Health), David Charlton (Philosophy). **Also present:** Janice Anderson (Faculty Senate), Jeanine Bartholomew (Academic Advising Liaison).

Procedural Items

Council Chair Bruce Ferrin called the meeting to order at 3 p.m.

Acceptance of Agenda

Kritzman moved acceptance of the agenda, seconded by Bartholomew. Motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes

Ravotas moved approval of the minutes of 8 November 2011, seconded by Thralls. Motion carried.

Chair's Remarks

On 28 November, Ferrin met with several others concerning issues raised at USC's last meeting regarding Lee Honors College courses and General Education. A proposal is being circulated formalizing the status of Honors College courses within General Education. Ferrin expects that a version of this proposal will be on this council's January agenda.

Action Items

Interdisciplinary Medical Humanities Minor [CAS 924]; tabled 8 November 2011 – David Charlton, Philosophy

David Charlton addressed the council about issues raised at the last USC meeting, when the proposal was eventually tabled. Kritzman moved, seconded by Ravotas, taking this issue off the table, and returning it to discussion. Motion carried. Charlton discussed meetings he has had since our last meeting with David Reinhold and others to address matters related to managing the administration of the minor. Motion to adopt the proposal carried.

Change of name of the "Holistic Health Care" program to "Integrative Holistic Health and Wellness" [CHHS 048-11]

Paula Andrasi briefly summarized the proposal, which involves a change of the title of this program, but no changes to its content. Thralls moved acceptance of this proposal, seconded by Bartholomew. Motion carried.

Creation of an accelerated degree program in Interdisciplinary Health Services and Blindness and Low Vision Studies

Doris Ravotas spoke to the council about this proposal for an accelerated degree in this program. The proposal is geared towards exceptional students who are career oriented. Most of the discussion concerned general issues with ADP programs rather than this proposal in particular. Krawutschke moved, seconded by Kritzman, the acceptance of this proposal. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kent Baldner