

Education Policy Committee Meeting Minutes

DATE: March 24, 2023

Faculty/Staff Members: Eric Edlund, Margaret Gichuru, Christina Knopf, Jennifer Moore, Jason Parks, Abby Thomas, Jeff Walkuski, Chris Widdall

Student Members: none

Ex-Officio Members: Andrea Robinson-Kuretich, Carol Van Der Karr

Guests: Nancy Diller, Jennifer Martin-Tse

Members Absent: Chris Widdall

Topic	Comments/Discussion	Action
Approval of minutes		approved
General discussion/announcements	<p>Eric may be away at some of the upcoming meetings. Plan for meeting coordinator in his absence:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • April 7 meeting: Jason Parks • April 21 meeting: Abby Thomas 	
Old business	<p>Review of micro-credential vetting feedback</p> <p>Multiple comments inquired/commented about the administration of the micro-credential program. Most of this will not be addressed in policy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unclear how this all will be managed at this point. Perhaps at some point we will need to purchase special software to help with management of digital badges (e.g. Credley). • The program will start with currently enrolled students, but external students are not precluded - can be extended to non-students down the road. • Yes, can have a 1 cr. hr. micro-credential. 	<p>Motion to approve and send to Faculty Senate. Seconded.</p> <p>Vote: unanimous approval</p> <p>Carol and Nancy will work on drafting a cover letter.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The point about names is to minimize confusion so that students do not mistake a micro-credential program for a full degree program. • This could be a good use of electives. • There is more talk about employment of people without degrees. This is a good opportunity for skill development while students seek degrees or if students decide not to complete a degree. 	
	<p>Review of 2nd major & 2nd degree vetting feedback</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Vetting feedback expressed some confusion about the differences between the two cases. An example for each would be useful to provide context. • No major changes. Minor wordsmithing, including feedback from Ross Borden. 	<p>Motion to approve and send to Faculty Senate with slight modifications to language to improve clarity and add examples. Seconded.</p> <p>Vote: unanimous approval</p> <p>Nancy and Carol will revise.</p>
New business	No new business	
Adjourned		Meeting adjourned at: 11 AM
	Respectfully submitted by Eric Edlund, 4/4/2023	

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