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USFSP General Education Committee
Meeting Minutes: 2/06/2008, 2:30 pm, DAV 124

Present: Cyndie Collins (Chair), Lisa Starks, Susan Fernandez, Tina Neville, Jim Krest, Todd Shank, Andy Reeves, Julie Armstrong; Dean Frank Biafora sat in
Absent: Jennifer Baker

The minutes from December's meeting were unanimously approved.

The committee discussed the process for submitting course proposals.

- Specifically in question was how to proceed with proposals for new courses EUH 2003 and EUH 2006 (from David Carr in History). However, this raises an issue: we cannot deal with specific courses until we have formulated a submission process.
- Issues to consider:
 - Proposing new vs. existing courses (EUH 2003 and EUH 2006 are new)
 - Understanding what is meant by course modification
 - Determining how courses will be assessed and by whom
 - Primary concern: we do not know if Tampa will consider our course proposals or not (or Sarasota's, or Lakeland's). Their committee will meet two Mondays from now.
- Tell Carr (and, by implication, other faculty members who find themselves similar situations): May need to find someone in Tampa to see if his courses can be approved through their core, then fill out new form.
- The process as it stands now: faculty member fills out course proposal forms → form goes through Tampa subcommittee (which includes someone with expertise in the course area); this is where course goes through real investigation (and can be sent back for revision) → once course approved by subcommittee, it goes for approval to full committee, where it is "rubber stamped"
- How will this change when St. Pete campus is thrown into the mix?

The committee briefly discussed list of approved courses. If we see needs in areas, we should first contact our corresponding Tampa departments to see what they are working on. Of course, what we can and cannot propose depends upon whether they will review our proposals.

New items:

- Deadlines for getting courses into Oasis are more flexible than for the catalog. Course must be approved (fully) by Fall 2008 to go into Fall 2009 catalog.
- L. Starks noted that the committee needs to address the assistance requested by faculty

Julie Armstrong,
Secretary