

SUMMARY REPORT

Curriculum Committee

Edison State College
Friday, October 28, 2011, in AA-177 at 1:00

Members constituting quorum: Jennifer Grove, Don Ransford, Anne Angstrom, Mary Conwell, Catherine Doheny, Jeannette Fritz, Jim Langlas, Melanie Lemaster, Sabine Maetske, Amanda Pollitt, Thomas Rath, Dave Rohrbach, John Salem, William Shuluk (by proxy), Billie Silva, Amy Trogan, and Gayle Wetzel.

Action item #1

Proposal: The Curriculum Committee's member list, procedural manual, and forms have been revised. A new layer, Dean's Council, has been inserted into the process between Departmental Dean and SAC reviews. Items within the procedures were clarified. Items changed since the September meeting included changing "endorsed" to "reviewed" under the Dean's Council, the forms will reflect that change also, and having experimental courses must come to curriculum before they are taught instead of after two offerings. "Selected topics" will be added to the form for the repeatable course question to help eliminate incorrect responses. "Dropbox" has been implemented to track proposals. Presenter: Jennifer Grove

Explanation: The manual was updated to clarify procedure, update the submission checklist, add the Dean's Council review, clarify emergency situations in which dean's may by-pass the committee through the VPAA, update the member's list to coordinate a more comprehensive representation of the college's growth, and include the member list and procedural checklist into the manual for reference. One member asked that the dates on the Dropbox folders be revised to concur with the timeline in the manual.

Recommendation: In a voice vote, the manual was unanimously accepted for 2011-2012 year.

Status:

Action item #2

Proposal: FFP 0010C (Firefighter I Minimum Standards), FFP 0020C (Firefighter II Minimum Standards), and FFP 0141C (First Responder and Firefighter Awareness) – Change of corequisites. The following strike-throughs reflect the proposed deletion of co-requisites in the 2012-2013 catalog: **FFP 0010C** Co requisite(s): FFP 0141C, ~~FFP 0020C~~ **FFP 0020C** Co-requisite(s): ~~FFP 0141C, FFP 0010C,~~ and **FFP 0141C** – Co requisite(s): FFP 0010C, ~~FFP 0020C~~. Presenter: Associate Dean Gresham

Explanation: The 2011-2012 Catalog listed the co-requisites incorrectly, and these changes correctly align them as they are used within the Firefighter programs. Judi

Grasso pointed out that the proposal has these courses as repeatable, to which Kim Gresham replied that they unsuccessfully tried to change it after it was explained to them. None of the three courses are repeatable.

Recommendation: In a voice vote, all the changes in co-requisites were approved for the 2012-2013 catalog. **FFP 0010C** – Co requisite: FFP 0141C, **FFP 0020C** – No Co requisite(s), and **FFP 0141C** – Co requisite: FFP 0010C

Status:

Information items: The following information items were read and the language of each was changed for consistency within the catalog, and a call for questions or comments was made. The chair explained that while we want to keep the courses in inventory for future growth, the number of students is too low to run the courses now. Ray Medhurst pointed out that these changes may affect students who transfer to ESC, under the “one-fourth rule” of taking courses at ESC for graduation. Many members responded that 1) the problem should be identified upon admission, 2) courses could then be taught here, and 3) another solution is Independent Study.

1. *Change in the 2011-2012 Catalog of statement for Secondary Education Biology Program.*

ESC may offer two Biology courses (PCB 3043C, PCB 3063C) that were previously taught at FGCU, so the language in the ESC catalog indicates students “may complete” the two courses at FGCU. PCB 3043C and PCB 3063C will continue to be designated as “FGCU” in the course list under Upper Division Requirements.

2. *Change in 2011-2012 Catalog of statement for Secondary Education Mathematics Program.*

ESC may offer three Mathematics courses (MAS 3105, MAS 4301, and MHF 2191) that were previously taught by FGCU, so the language in our catalog will state the following: “Students may complete three upper division courses (9 credit hours of mathematics coursework) through Florida Gulf Coast University.” MAS 3105, MAS 4301, and MHF 2191 will continue to be designated as “FGCU” in the course list under Upper Division Requirements.

3. *Change in 2011-2012 Catalog of statement for Middle Grades Science Education Program.*

ESC may offer ISC 3120 and PCB 3043C that was previously taught by FGCU, so the language in our catalog will state the following: “Students may complete

two upper division courses (6 credit hours of science course work) through Florida Gulf Coast University.” ISC 3120 and PCB 3043C will continue to be designated as “FGCU” in the course list under Upper Division Requirements.

After ensuring that there was no other business, comments, or concerns, the chair informed the committee of the ongoing discussion of where to place our QEP Cornerstone course, SLS 1515. After a brief discussion of financial aid conflicts, overloading program credits, and Gordon Rule specifications, the group seemed to agree that it should be placed as a College Prep requirement. No vote was taken as this information was parlayed to the committee for future discussion in an appropriate forum.

Respectively submitted,

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Chair, Curriculum Committee