

Undergraduate Council Meeting Minutes

March 27, 2019

2:45 PM-4:00PM

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1. Welcome/Introduction by 2018-2019 Chair, Brandi Falley:
 - a. Review and approve minutes of the last Undergraduate Council Meeting held 2/27/19 - Motion to approve the minutes as written was brought to the floor by Matthew Henley and seconded by Minkowan Goo. The minutes were approved as written.

 2. Undergraduate Council Committees – Brandi Falley
 - a. Course Proposal Review Committee – Sarah Fanning
 - i. Core - ART 2423 World Art History I - Motion to approve ART 2423 as a core course was brought to the floor by Cathy Banks and seconded by Ken Boonme. ART 2423 was approved by the council unanimously. Pending THECB approval.
 - ii. Core – ART 2433 World Art History II - Motion to approve ART 2433 as a core course was brought to the floor by Cathy Banks and seconded by Mary Williford-Shade. ART 2433 was approved by the council unanimously. Pending THECB approval.
 - iii. Core – BUS 2153 Personal Finance – BUS 2153 was brought to the floor by the committee for discussion. James Lytle, from the College of Business, explained to the council that revisions have been made to the SLO’s to meet the core objectives. Motion to approve BUS 2153 as a core course was brought to the floor by Mary Williford-Shade and seconded by Ken Boonme. BUS 2153 was approved by the council unanimously. Pending THECB approval.
 - iv. Global Perspectives – COMS 2513 Deaf Culture – the course review committee was split on the decision to recommend this course for global perspectives. Dr. Spolsky, from the Communication Sciences & Disorders department, came and spoke to the council explaining that the course is to encompass deaf culture globally. After discussion from the council, it was determined that the SLO’s do need to explain more of the global aspect of the course. Motion to approve COMS 2513 as a global perspectives course was brought to the floor by Kim Mory and seconded by James Lytle. The vote was:
 1. 4 –yes
 2. 4 – no
 3. 5 – abstainedThe motion did not pass.
 - v. Global Perspectives – SCI 2113 Earth Science - Motion to approve SCI 2113 as a global perspective course was brought to the floor by Ken Boonme and seconded by James Lytle. SCI 2113 was approved by the council unanimously.
 - vi. Global Perspectives – SPAN 4203 Latin American Women, Writers, and Filmmakers – the committee was concerned about the language of the SLO’s and how they align with a global objective. Motion to approve SPAN 4203 as a global perspective course was brought to the floor by Mary Williford-Shade and seconded by Nasrin Mirsaleh-Kohan. The vote was:

1. 4 – yes
2. 0 – no
3. 9 – abstained

The motion did not pass.

- vii. Global Perspectives – GOV 3613 The Politics of Food in America - Motion to approve GOV 3613 as a global perspective course was brought to the floor by Sara Fanning and seconded by Ken Boonme. The vote was:

1. 7 – yes
2. 0 – no
3. 5 – abstained

The motion passed. GOV 3613 was approved as a global perspective course.

- b. Assessment Committee – Kim Mory – The current committee description has been outlived. The committee is proposing a new description for the bylaws. The new description would increase the function of the committee to include evaluating assessment reports related to core curriculum, graduation requirements, and student success. Once the revised bylaws have been approved, the committee will begin fresh for 2019-2020.
 - c. Program Review Committee – Jim Williams
 - i. BA English 7-12 Certification – the committee has requested that this program proposal be moved to the April meeting.
 - ii. The committee will be reporting on the definitions of a Minor, a Track, a Concentration, an Emphasis, a Focus, and a Certificate for Undergraduate Programs at the April meeting.
 - d. Academic Policy Advisory Committee – Claire Sahlin – The committee has reviewed and revised the bylaws for the Undergraduate Council regarding how the membership is divided, update of the Assessment Committee responsibilities, and election of chairs and officers. The membership will consist of 10 core seats, an added representative for global perspective, and 20 additional non-core faculty seats. Seats will be distributed to each college by scheduled hour proportion and each college will have no less than 3 seats. Motion was brought to the floor by Matthew Henley and seconded by Cathy Banks to move the revised by-laws to the April meeting for a final approval vote. The vote was approved by the council unanimously.
3. TWU Undergraduate Updates – Barbara Lerner –
 - a. The five year SACS report was completed and had been sent out.
 4. Other Business – Brandi Falley
 - a. Updates: Council representatives for Academic Council, Council of Chairs, and Faculty Senate – no reports at this time
 5. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 4:00pm.