

California State University, Stanislaus  
University Educational Policies Committee  
**Meeting Minutes March 5, 2020**

**Present:** R. Werling (chair), C. Davis (chair-elect), T. Held, K. Stone, K. Liu, O. Panagopoulos, G. Wellman, S. Filling, K. Oliviant, M. Marquez

**Guests:** G. Aulak (recording), L. Bernardo, M. Perez, D. Nakano, S. Wooley, R. Wallace, D. Evans, K. Greer

- I. **Call to Order.** Werling called the meeting to order at 2:01 p.m.
- II. **Approval of Agenda.** The agenda of March 5, 2020 was approved as distributed.
- III. **Approval of Minutes.** The minutes of February 27, 2020 were approved as distributed.
- IV. **Announcements/Reports.** None.
- V. **Subcommittee/Committee Reports.**
  - A. **Ad Hoc Committee on the Multicultural Requirement- Charge B proposal.** Dana Nakano, co-chair of the Ad Hoc Committee on the Multicultural Requirement, presented the proposal. For the first charge, the subcommittee established the Multicultural Requirement subcommittee to review the University's multicultural course requirement. The proposal is the second charge of the subcommittee, in which the title, units, and requirements were analyzed. The subcommittee held multiple forums to receive feedback from the campus community. It is proposing a 3-unit course because there might be courses in the multicultural requirement that can recertify to fit this new requirement. Three units is the minimum requirement. Courses would have a domestic focus. A 4-unit course can meet this requirement. The requirement does not allow transfer units because the articulations are a one-time agreement for the courses. They do not go back to review and recertify the courses. This university is to recertify courses every five years. Students can follow the petition process to transfer their units. The requirement can be met with both lower and upper division courses.
    - Oliviant informed the committee that majors with 60 units might be affected.
    - Bernardo will research on how many transfer students complete the multicultural requirement before they come to this University.
    - Wooley expressed his concern. Each of the General Education (GE) courses have seven objectives. This was an issue before which is why GE had to be reformatted.
    - Wallace asked Nakano why the original proposal of 6-units to focus on domestic and global was changed to only 3-units of domestic focus. Nakano shared subcommittee's efforts to work simultaneously with the California State University Academic Senate (CSUAS) resolution regarding an ethnic studies requirement. The concern was adding another 3 units. Another concern was if a course fulfilled domestic and global, which one would it fall under. The CSUAS resolution only has the domestic focus. If CSU mandates anything, this campus

would need to revisit this. This proposal is both in anticipation of what might come from the CSU and suggesting what works best for this campus. The subcommittee had examined what this campus needs.

- Members expressed their interest in both domestic and global focus. It would allow more courses to fulfill the requirement and enough courses to be offered for students. Nakano shared that other programs can teach this course and they might already do so. As more faculty become interested in teaching this requirement, they are able to create a course within their programs. Faculty can also consider how to integrate the objectives in courses that already exist.
- Werling thanked Nakano for being present to answer questions and concerns.

## VI. Old Business

- Information Literacy.** Werling shared the revised document that includes UEPC will review the potential policy. This document was not a proposal or recommendation. Thompson wants to start a university wide discussion. The revision makes this clearer. Held motioned to move, Davis seconded, and committee unanimously approved the revision to the document.
- Academic Dishonesty Policy.** Werling shared Ann Strahm's concerns about the Academic Dishonesty Policy. Members discussed Ann's concerns and worked on revising the proposed policy. Wellman motioned to move, Stone seconded, and committee unanimously agreed to move it forward to Senate Executive Committee (SEC).
- Cybersecurity Concentration.** Committee reviewed the Cybersecurity concentration proposal in Curriculog. Orestis motioned to move, Held seconded, and committee unanimously approved to move it forward to SEC.
- Credit/No Credit Grade Policy.** Deferred.
- AS-3397-19AA Towards Implementation of an Ethnic Studies System Req.** Deferred.

## VII. New Business

- Community College Articulation Question.** Deferred.
- Child Development Center Five Year Review.** Deferred.
- Fee Waiver Pilot Program for Graduate Teaching Associates.** Dean Evans and Provost Greer presented the Fee Waiver Pilot Program for Graduate Teaching Associates. Dean Evans was encouraged by SEC to bring this to UEPC to ensure quality control. Dean Evans requested a statement of recognition of Graduate Teaching Associates and its valuable experience. Graduate students demonstrate as a role model for undergraduate students. Graduate Students need to be compensated fairly. The tuition waivers apply to

students who do not receive any other grants. Provost Greer informed members it would start as a pilot but we should make sure there is budget to continue. It is budget prioritization period of time. It would be nice to have base funding for this. Dean Evans shared English and Biology agreed this program is important to recruit high qualified graduate students.

- Members agree this will program will lead to better students and eventually better teachers. Students will not need to find another job to pay for their tuition. They will not have to take on as much debt. Members suggested including health benefits in this program.
- Committee supports this pilot program. Graduate students seeking a career in teaching needs this experience and this campus should offer a fee waiver. Members suggested taking it to Faculty Budget Advisory Committee (FBAC). Werling thanked Dean Evans and Provost Greer for presenting.

**VIII. Other (information only).** None.

**IX. Anticipated Agenda Items for 2019/2020**

A. **EO 1100 and EO 1110 Policy Issues.** Deferred.

**X. Tabled Business**

A. **11/AS/19/UEPC Revision to the Undergraduate Advising Policy/ASI Advising Resolution.** Deferred.

B. **Core Competency FLC Policy/Procedure.** Deferred.

C. **Grade Appeal Policy.** Deferred.

D. **Notifications Regarding Mandatory Course Materials (Connect, First Day, etc.).** Deferred.

E. **First Day Pilot Project.** Deferred.

**XI. Adjournment.** The meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m.

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