

Academic Affairs Committee  
Washburn University  
10/8/18  
Minutes

Present: Ball, Beatie, DeSota, Fredrickson, Hickman, Grenus, Jolicoeur, Jones,  
Mansfield, Morse, Ricklefs, Tate

Guests: Sullivan, Erby

1. Ball called to order at 3:34pm
2. Welcome/introductions
3. 9/24/18 minutes approved
4. Old business
  - a. Program approval: Musical Theatre Concentration
    - i. The Pro Forma somehow did not make it to the committee previously
    - ii. Discussion: Morse- Adjunct dance issue has Sullivan in a difficult situation. Sullivan responded that this is difficult due to budget for productions, but she has full confidence in the adjunct dance instructor's ability and commitment. Morse is worried because without the dance instructor a leg of the program would be a problem. Morse asked if there is a way to budget in a  $\frac{3}{4}$  time dance position in the fifth year. Sullivan said she was asked by her Dean to remove any new hire from the Pro Forma. Morse recommended adding this back, but in the fifth year. Tate recommended include financial implications because there are financial implications in the first multiple years. 5k year 1, 7k year 2, then break even. Tate believes this needs to be more clear in the program plan. Ball would like to Sullivan amend the proposal
    - iii. Motion to approve- passed

(Moved to last new business agenda item due to Erby's attendance)

5. New Business
  - d. Inclusivity Statement
    - i. Erby is hoping for support of this statement. Tate- how should we deal with folks that have an issue with this being longer than 2 pages for syllabi. Ball- this needs to be included due to its importance. Morse- Erby and the committee worked really hard to get the wording just right. Jones- Something other than 'faith' might work better for all traditions; something like 'religious identity.' Tate- Will this also be on the diversity webpage and the catalog? Erby- yes. Tate- asked to add more general wording to include, "all relevant Washburn publications." Then we can send this where ever it needs to go rather than going to

many different places. Hickman- there are many dangerous ideologies. Are there any thoughts toward accepting those? Erby- we are defining an inclusive community. Ball- being inclusive of different ideologies doesn't mean we accept violence or illegal activity, which would not be included in this statement. Ball- we are just hoping to endorse this and there can still be changes made at a later point.

- ii. Amendments- add "all relevant Washburn University publications" and change faith to "religious and non-religious identity."
  - iii. Approved to send to Faculty Senate with the amended wording.
  - b. Program Approval A- Bachelor of Computer Science with emphasis in Digital Forensics
    - i. Ball- Still waiting on Agenda item from Bruce Mactavish.
    - ii. Tate- have they discussed this with AN, CJ, and Psych. This might come up in Faculty Senate or General Faculty.
    - iii. Approved by the committee
  - c. Program approval B- Bachelor of Science in Computer Information Sciences
    - i. No questions or comments
    - ii. Approved
  - d. Program approval C- Computer Sciences in Computational Physics
    - i. Karen Camarda's Agenda Item form was added to the packet
    - ii. Ball will ask Karen to speak out to the other departments involved
    - iii. Approved
2. Announcements- none
3. Ball adjourned the meeting at 4:10pm.