

Meeting Minutes 11/17/15

Tyrrell calls the meeting to order at 4:35pm

1. Approval of October minutes. Motion to vote by Tinsley, seconded. Approved by unanimous consent.
2. New Alma Mater: Dean Honaker presents the new Alma Mater, passing out sing sheets and plays a recording of the song. Cox motion to vote, seconded. Approved by Unanimous consent.
3. Master of Science in Data Science and Strategic Analytics Proposal: Presentation by Russ Manson, Director of Computational Science. Gives historical overview including declining undergraduate enrollment in Computational Science whereas Data Science is an up and coming field. Highlights an overlap in the skills for both fields yet curriculum of Computational Science is shifting more towards Data Science which includes more statistics and analytics and less high level calculus. This shift allows students with non-science Bachelor degree to pursue MS in Data Science. The degree name Data Science fits better with emerging job market. Online delivery of courses allows for an increase in student enrollment. MS also includes practicums giving students real-world experience. MS can be completed in one calendar year using a sequence of intensive seven week courses rather than multiple courses in parallel for fifteen weeks. Open floor to questions. Motion to vote by Shulman, seconded. Approved by Unanimous Consent.
4. Bachelor of Science in Exercise Science Proposal: Presentation by Kelly Dougherty, Assistant Professor in Health Sciences. Defines the field of Exercise Science and gives outline of career opportunities available with the degree. Explains need for major in light of declining US health, especially egregious in the state of NJ thus forecasting a rise in jobs related to Exercise Science. Gives an overview of the proposal relating to Learning Outcomes and Assessment, Curriculum, and Resources. Curriculum has a science focus thus will draw on NAMS faculty necessitating new lines and will need dedicated lab space in new classroom building. Curriculum will also include internships. Plan to seek accreditation; if successful, will be the only one in the state of NJ. Financial resources for new lines, building space, etc. dependent on variety fiscal opportunities including state bond money and student enrollments. Possible reallocation of resources if rise in Exercise Science creates decrease in other majors such as BSHS. Forecasting yearly enrollment of 50 students but the first few years will be limited to first time freshmen only; no internal transfers from other majors will be allowed during the start-up period. Motion to vote by Schindler, seconded. 1 no, 0 abstain, majority yes. Motion passed.
5. Genocide Prevention Certificate Proposal: Presentation by Elisa von Joeden-Forgey, Director of Holocaust & Genocide Studies. This is a 15 credit certificate program in conjunction with the Auschwitz Institute. The certificate can stand alone or be pursued as a track within the MA in Holocaust & Genocide. This is the first academic program globally to offer such a certificate. Courses will be taught both by Stockton faculty as well as experts in the field drawn from outside of Stockton University in adjunct positions. There is the expectation that students will come from around the world thus the certificate can be pursued fully online. Those who have completed the certificate can then come to Stockton University to further pursue the MA in Holocaust & Genocide. Floor open to questions. Motion to vote by White, seconded. Approved by Unanimous consent.

6. Announcement of Winter Commencement Speaker: Pat Reid-Merritt selected as the Winter Commencement Speaker and will receive the Distinguish Service Award.
7. Due to time constraints, Tyrrell moves last two agenda items to the December meeting: Task Force on Modules and Letters with the Board of Trustees regarding Spring Resolutions.

Motion to adjourn by Hartmann, seconded. Approved by unanimous consent.
Meeting adjourned at 6:05pm