

## Undergraduate Council Meeting Minutes (APPROVED 9/28/2016)

April 27, 2016  
2:30 PM-4:00 PM

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1. Welcome/Introduction by 2015-2016 Chair, Dr. Karen Petty:
    - a. Review and approve minutes of the last Undergraduate Council Meeting held 3/30/16 - Motion to approve the minutes as written was brought to the floor by Dr. Jacob Blosser and seconded by Dr. Jim Williams. A vote was brought to the floor and the minutes were approved as written.
  2. Nominations for Chair & Vice-Chair for the 2016-2017 Undergraduate Council – The votes were handled by secret ballot. The new Chair & Vice-Chair of the 2016-2017 Undergraduate Council:
    - i. Chair: Dr. Danielle Woolery
    - ii. Vice-Chair: Dr. Elizabeth McCarroll
  3. Undergraduate Council Committee Updates
    - a. Course Proposal Review Committee - Colby Parsons – The committee recommends that a sub-committee be formed to review and update the requirements of the global perspective objectives. We feel the committee members should be stakeholders of those courses. Dr. Senne mentioned that the objectives have not been reviewed for quite some time and should be updated.
      - i. Core Course and Global Perspective Proposals - DRAM 2513: Creating Shakespeare - The committee recommended that the council accept DRAM 2513 as core and global perspective.
        1. Core Course – DRAM 2513 will be in the (40) Language, Culture, and Philosophy section of the core. Motion to accept DRAM 2513 as a core curriculum course was brought to the floor by Dr. Williams and seconded by Dr. Stankus. A vote was brought to the floor and the course was accepted as core curriculum.
        2. Global Perspective – Motion to accept DRAM 2513 as a global perspective course was brought to the floor by Dr. Woolery and seconded by Dr. Stankus. A vote was brought to the floor and the course was accepted as a global perspective course.
    - b. Program Review Committee - Danielle Woolery
      - i. BS Sociology Concentrations – The committee recommends that the council move forward with the 2 concentrations for the BS Sociology. Dr. Woolery asked for comments or discussion.
        1. Criminology – Dr. Blosser mentioned that the courses in the Criminology concentration already exist in the Criminal Justice minor. Dr. Olsen agreed. Dr. Williams explained that although they are the same courses, they are for students already in the BS Sociology program. He added that this concentration was not proposed to take students away from the Criminal Justice major. Dr. S. Scott also mentioned that new programs, minors, tracks, etc. should be discussed with other departments that could be impacted by a change. It was suggested that the Substantive Change form be revised to include a signature of other department chairs that could be impacted by a new program, minor, track, etc. Motion to accept the BS Sociology: Criminology Concentration was brought to the floor by Dr. Williams and seconded by Mr. Parsons. A vote was brought to the floor and the BS Sociology: Criminology Concentration was denied by the council.
        2. Social Inequality - Motion to accept the BS Sociology: Social Inequality Concentration was brought to the floor by Dr. Blosser and seconded by Dr. S. Scott. A vote was brought to the floor and the BS Sociology: Social Inequality Concentration was approved by the council.
      - ii. BAAS – Review and Recommend. – The committee recommends that the council move forward with the 2 new Bachelor of Applied Arts & Science degrees. Dr. Woolery asked for comments or discussion. Mr. Hovis explained to the council that both of the programs proposed were developed jointly between the School of Management and the Health Sciences department. The 2 programs could increase the number of credit hours. This, in turn, will mean additional funding

from the State. The funding calendar begins in summer and that is the reason the BAAS degrees are moving through so fast. The BAAS degrees are completion degrees for students that have already earned an Applied Arts & Science degree. The accumulation of the courses taken for the student's AAS degree will be transferred in as a block and not a course for course equivalency.

1. General Business - Motion to accept the BAAS General Business was brought to the floor by Dr. G. Scott and seconded by Dr. S. Scott. A vote was brought to the floor and the BAAS General Business was approved by the council.
  2. Health Sciences - Motion to accept the BAAS Health Sciences was brought to the floor by Ms. Kearney and seconded by Dr. Stankus. A vote was brought to the floor and the BAAS Health Sciences was approved by the council.
- c. Bylaws Review Task Force (ad-hoc) - Barbara Lerner – The policy is in route to be reviewed by General Counsel for approval.
  - d. Academic Policy Advisory Committee (new 2015-2016) – Shannon Scott – no new business.
  - e. Assessment Committee – Gray Scott – Dr. Scott reported that 2 faculty workshops were held for departments that will be assessing Teamwork and Empirical & Quantitative thinking. During the workshops, Dr. Scott explained to faculty how to use the Blackboard Collaborate option for group assessment options. Dr. Scott is also working with IT on the artifact system to allow department chairs to upload multiple artifacts for entire programs. The spring 2016 rating days has concluded, but there will be additional days added in the summer to complete rating the remaining artifacts.
4. TWU Undergraduate Updates – Barbara Lerner – No additional updates.
  5. Other Business – Ms. Kearney reported that TWU will be the state's first Research Chefs Association - approved Culinology program. The designation creates career paths for community college undergraduates pursuing degrees in culinary science and food service management at TWU. The picture of a TWU Culinology student was shown in Times Square listing TWU as the first in the state to offer the program.
  6. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 4:05pm.

**FIRST MEETING FOR 2016-2017: 2:30 PM Wednesday, September 28, 2016**