MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY
University Committee on Curriculum

Thursday, 1:30 p.m.
February 28, 2019
443 Administration Building

MINUTES

Materials Distributed Before the Meeting:

1. Report of Subcommittee A:

2. Report of Subcommittee B:

3. Report of Subcommittee C:

Items of Business:

1. Approval of Draft Minutes from 1/31/19.
   
   The minutes of 1/31/19 were approved.

   
   Denis Proshlyakov presented the Subcommittee A report of February 14, 2019 noting all requests were approved as submitted or changed, with the exception of three programs in the College of Natural Science which will return to the March agenda when additional clarifications have been received. The report was approved as submitted.

   
   Heidi Schroeder presented the Subcommittee B report of February 21, 2019 noting all requests were approved as submitted or changed. The report was approved as submitted.

   
   Bump Halbritter presented the Subcommittee C report of February 7, 2019 noting all requests were approved as submitted or changed. The report was approved as submitted.

   
   Associate Provost Gaboury gave updates on the University’s selection of Oracle Peoplesoft 9.2 for the replacement of the current SIS. This will be a 2-year initiative. The implementation team will be engaging faculty at some point. Negotiations are
currently in process for the selection of an implementation partner for the new SIS. It has been noted that the new SIS will have an increased demand on servers. At the appropriate time, Joy and Steve will be involved in the curriculum integration. The UCC will also be consulted for input. The implementation team is committed to be transparent and not have a repeat of EBS.


Chairperson Mechtel mentioned the resignation of President Engler and the appointment of President Satish Udpa who is very engaged with faculty. The closed Presidential Search continues to be a sticking point with the campus community. It is expected that a candidate will be nominated by June. The Steering Committee is interested in feedback regarding the Academic Calendar and whether or not it is feasible to pursue a potential fall break, J-term. This would mean less days of instruction. The February Board of Trustees approved two new departments. The Department of African American and African Studies and the Department of Orthopedics. She finally mentioned that the issue of freshman seminars has been tabled until further notice.

7. Other Business.

None.