

DISTANCE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Minutes of the May 17, 2012 Meeting

Attendees: Jo Agnew- Tally, Diana Botsford, Neal Callahan, Deanne Camp, Betty Evans, Jeff Morrissey, Joye Norris, Bill Piston, Gary Rader, Rose Utley, David White (via ITV)

Invited Guest: Frank Einhellig

1) Review of minutes from 5.3.12 DEC meeting

Meeting minutes were approved by all.

2) Faculty review of modality changes on curricular proposals discussion

The committee discussed concerns regarding the faculty senate resolution that was passed concerning faculty review of modality changes on curricular proposals. Part of the discussion focused on how important it will be for the future of the university that there is sufficient flexibility to have modality changes in how classes will be taught. The opinion of the DEC is that this resolution will significantly hinder that ability and prevent faculty from being able to use every teaching tool available to educate. The committee agreed that further conversation needs to take place at the faculty level. It was discussed that a petition had been created to challenge the resolution. If the necessary number of signatures is acquired, this will lead to an opportunity to engage in further discussion.

3) Other business

Several DEC members' terms have ended (Betty Evans, Bill Piston, David White, and Deanne Camp); Joye and Neal will meet to discuss the DEC bylaws regarding membership. The DEC will plan on meeting once a month through the summer. The next meeting date is Thursday, June 7, 2012.

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