Meeting Date: 1-11-2017  Montgomery Hall Rm 316

Chairing the meeting: Jeff Holm

In attendance: Jeff Holm, Shuzo Takahashi, Bill Caraher, Harmon Abrahamson, Karyn Plumm and Angie Novak

Absent: Lucian Stone, Sheryl O’Donnell and Wendelin Hume

Matters arising:

Jeff opened the meeting at 10:05.

Jeff reintroduced Soc 538, 539, 540, 594 and 598. These were all courses that had been discussed at the December 8, 2016 meeting that needed clarification from the Sociology Chair. Soc 538 and 540 are new courses that are going to be replacing 539. Soc 598 is requesting deactivation due to a proposed new course that has numbering alignment with the undergraduate offering and because this course is generally not used by the students. After discussion, Jeff made a motion to approve all requested changes for Soc 538, 539, 540, 594, and 598, Harmon seconded. Passed unanimously (Soc 594 was approved contingent upon Sociology attaching the new course budget form).

Bill reintroduced Soc 592 which had also needed more clarification from the Sociology Chair. This course will offer the students an opportunity to have a graduate level course on their transcript and reduce the number of repeatable credits. Discussion followed. Bill made a motion to approve the changes, Shuzo seconded. Passed unanimously.

Shuzo introduced Soc 521. The title of this course is changing to avoid confusion for students who think they are taking the research method course. After discussion, Harmon made a motion to approve the course change if they get an email of support from Criminal Justice chair and make a minor edit in the description, Shuzo seconded. Passed unanimously.

With all the Sociology classes voted on Jeff made a motion to approve the Program Changes to MA in Sociology which include addition of specific tracks and new courses, Harmon seconded the motion. Passed unanimously.

Karyn Plumm introduced A&S 497. With non-profit minor now being offered in the College of Business and Public Administration and Studio One no longer existing this course will be utilized by the Peer Mentor Program and by students completing an internship within the College of Arts and Sciences. The credits of this course are also changing from being offered as 1-3 to 1-4 with a max of 12 credits. Discussion followed. Harmon made a motion to approve the course changes, Bill seconded. Passed unanimously.

Jeff introduced Biol 124 which is requesting course deactivation due to no program requiring the course and the department has not offered the course in quite some time. Harmon made a motion to approve the course deactivation, Shuzo seconded. Passed unanimously.

Jeff introduced CJ 320 and 440 which are both new courses. Both courses were rolled back as the budget form needs to be attached.

Meeting adjourned at 10:40.