



Undergraduate Academic Affairs Committee Minutes
Thursday, October 5, 2023

Members in Attendance: L. Dorsey, E. Gockel-Blessing, L. Birch, M. Cope, E. Crowell, J. Haugen, J. Helton, G. Lopiccolo, D. Manos, L. McLaughlin, S. McGahan, G. Merys, N. Mispagel, J. Nichols, B. Perlman, D. Pike, Fr. Rozier, J. Rust, S. Sell, L. Sweetman, C. Thomas, M. Toups, S. Tyuse

Absent/Excused: Jean Marie Cox, Peggy Dotson, Jay Haugen, Shawn Steadman

Special Guest: Steve Sanchez, Saneta Thurman

Call to Order: Dr. Dorsey called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Approval of Minutes

Motion to approve September 2023 minutes was put forward by Sabrina Tyuse and seconded by Debbie Pike. Minutes were approved.

Discussion Item

1. Assessment Overview – Steve Sanchez, PhD and Marissa Cope

Dr. Sanchez and Marissa have joined the committee to provide an assessment overview of academic programming with regard to micro-credentials and consistency of the requirements of previously approved programs.

The assessment component and student learning outcomes of minors and micro-credentials are the responsibility of faculty to secure the desired outcomes. The university presently has 170 majors currently engaging in or will be in the future of some type of HLC assessment and 91 minors of which are not being assessed and fall under the purview of the unit. It is not the responsibility of this committee to provide assessment of new, updated or changed program proposals. The question being asked, is it time to begin conversations about assessment of minors and micro-credentials? Dr. Sanchez agreed that if micro-credentials are considered academic programs, then we should have units engaged in assessment plans. However, our resources are limited.

Academic Programs

1. Accelerated Scholars Track (B.S. & M.S. in Speech Language and Hearing Sciences) - Beth Blessing, PhD and Saneta Thurman, PhD

