Minutes of the Curriculum and General Education Committee Meeting October 8, 2020, 1:00pm-3:00pm., via Zoom.

Present: M. Bishop, K. Carlson, J. Chaidez, V. Jacobi, M. Jiles, W. Martinez, M. Mayfield, L. Minor, T. Payne, J. Rangel-Escobedo, D. Rodenhauser, and D. Vohnout

Absent: S. Balason K. Bandy, B. Young

Recorder: D. Vohnout

MINUTES

I. PUBLIC COMMENTARY
Meeting was called to order at 1:10pm. No public commentary.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: From the September 10, 2020 Curriculum & General Education meeting The minutes were approved as is.

III. CONSENT ITEMS:
A. Emergency Distance Learning Request:
   - PSYC 2050 Introduction to Biological Psychology
   - OSH 1102 Passport Safety Training
   - OSH 1100 Basic Employee Safety for General Industry
   - OSH 1112 Forklift Training for Operators
   - OSH 1115 California Oil Producers Confined Space Entry Training
   - OSH 1109 Emergency Response Technician Training
   - OSH 1116 Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response (HAZWOPER) Training
   - OSH 1119 Defensive Driving Course
   - OSH 1104 Supervisor Safety Training
   - OSH 1113 California Commercial Driver License Permit Preparation
   - DNTL 1514 Introduction to Clinic
   - DNTL 2130 Periodontics I
   - DNTL 2131 Pharmacology
   - DNTL 2132 Dental Materials
   - DNTL 2133 Advanced Clinical Topics
   - DNTL 2135 Community Oral Health I
   - WKEX 1014 General Work Experience

On a motion by Mike Mayfield, seconded by Mike Jiles, and unanimously carried by all, the above consent agenda items were approved.

IV. DISCUSSION ITEMS:
A. Standing Agenda item – Board/Academic Policies
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The group reviewed the Board Policies and Administrative Procedures that can be found on the Taft College website. The group agreed to routinely review the BPs and APs under Academic Affairs. The BP/AP will be a discussion item on the Curriculum & General Education agenda. If there are changes to be made, the following month the BP/AP will become an action item.

B. Ethnic Studies
SB1460 is a new law that requires Cal State students to take an ethnic studies course as a graduation requirement. The Cal State system has decided to make this course lower division and is making changes to the general education pattern. The group was provided the guidelines for courses to meet this requirement. The group discussed different types of courses that may fit into this area including Sociology, a combination of Art History and another course, and History courses. The group was asked to review the courses in their areas and review the materials provided in the packet to identify courses that may fit and can be submitted for approval.

C. Credit for Prior Learning/Credit by examination
The group reviewed what types of prior learning/credit by exam Taft College currently has listed in the catalog. The group also reviewed the AP 4235 which was edited by L. Minor. The AP will go on next month’s agenda as an action item. The group was also asked to review the courses listed for eligible for credit by exam in the catalog to see if the list should be revised.

D. Other

Due to a tight deadline to approve courses for emergency online approval for Spring 2021, the group will need to meet again in October. This was tentatively scheduled for October 22, 2020 from 1-3pm via Zoom.

V. NEXT MEETING: November 12, 2020 from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. via Zoom