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UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC COUNCIL MEETING  
Thursday, February 6, 2014  
John B. Coleman Library, Room 508  
3:00 pm

Those Present
Dr. Kay Norman  
Dr. Joe Dickson  
Dr. Shield Lin  
Dr. Abida Solomon - TVVN  
Dr. Emmanuel Opara  
Dr. Cheryle Snead-Greene  
Dr. Kitty Warseme  
Ms. Deborah Dungey  
Mr. Jonathan Miller  
Dr. Ali Fares  
Dr. Walle Engedayehu  
Ms. Traci Chernosky  
Mr. Peter Wood  
Dr. Tamara Brown  
Ms. Monica Santillan  
Dr. Cajetan Akujuobi - G

Those Absent
Dr. James A. Wilson, Jr – G  
Dr. Thomas-Smith - G  
Dr. Felecia Nave - EA  
Mrs. Lettie Raab - EA  
Dr. Clarissa Booker - EA  
Dr. Kendall T. Harris - EA  
Mr. Don Byars - EA

The University Academic Council (UAC) was convened at approximately 3:23 p.m. on Thursday, February 6, 2014, with Ms. Deborah Dungey, Registrar, presiding in the absence of Dr. Felecia M. Nave, Associate Provost & Associate VP for Academic Affairs. The location of this meeting was in the John B. Coleman Library, Room 508. Ms. Dungey welcomed those old and new members and guests that were present and officially called the meeting to order.

AGENDA ITEMS DISCUSSED

I. Minutes from last Academic Council Meeting

All those present where asked to look over the minutes from the last University Academic Council Meeting on, Thursday, January 16, 2014.
Motion: Dr. Shield Lin moved and Dr. Joe Dickson seconded the motion to approve the minutes from Thursday, January 16, 2014 with the noted corrections. The motion carried unanimously.

Dr. Walle Engedayehu stated that he is new to the council and questioned the way the minutes are being presented.

II. Task Force Updates

- **College of Arts and Sciences – Division of Social Work, Behavioral and Political Science’s Course Inventory Updates, Dr. Cheryle Snead-Greene, Chair**

  Dr. Cheryle Snead-Greene, chair stated that the Division of Social Work, Behavioral and Political Science would like to table their course inventory updates until the next cycle Fall 2015.

- **College of Arts and Sciences – Department of Music & Theatre’s course Inventory Updates, Dr. Tamara Brown, chair**

  Dr. Tamara Brown, chair stated that the task force committee reviewed the course inventory forms as submitted, however there were a few questions as to what they were trying to accomplish. Dr. Brown has asked that the forms be resubmitted with corrections. Dr. Brown will be ready to present at the next UAC meeting on Thursday, February 20, 2014.

- **Curriculum Changes in the School of Architecture, Dr. Emmanuel Opara, chair**

  Dr. Emmanuel Opara, chair would like to table until the next UAC meeting on Thursday, February 20, 2014 so that corrections can be made to the course inventory forms submitted and so that the School of Architecture will have representation at the meeting when they present.

- **UAC Orientation, Dr. Snead-Greene & Dr. Kitty Warsame**

  Dr. Snead-Greene stated that they just had their first meeting with Dr. Nave regarding the UAC orientation on Wednesday, February 5, 2014 and at this time they have no update they are still in the planning stages.
III. New Business

- **Curriculum Changes in Political Science**
  
  Task Force 5 will review the the curriculum changes in Political Science with Dr. Emmanuel Opara, chair.

- **Undergraduates Taking Graduate Courses**
  
  Dr. Cajetan Akujuobi was asked to attend the UAC meeting to address undergraduate students taking graduate courses. Dr. Akujuobi stated that yes they are allowed to do so their last year of their bachelor’s degree.

  Mrs. Dungey brought up that the catalog says that undergraduate students can take up to six hours of graduate courses. However, the Texas Higher Education Boards 004 Cash Report states that an undergraduate can take graduate courses if they are within twelve semester credit hours of their first bachelor’s degree. The table was opened for discussion.

  Dr. Cajetan Akujuobi stated that the rule should appear in both the undergraduate and graduate catalogs.

  The main issue is can we grant credit at both the undergraduate level and the graduate level for the same course. The topic will need to be brought back to the UAC for discussion and review.

IV. Old Business

V. New Business

VI. Adjournment

There being no further business, the chair adjourned the meeting at 5:00 p.m.

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