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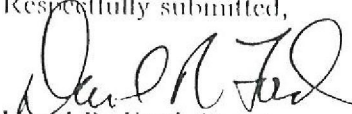
- PRESENT:** D. R. Ford (chaired for Dr. David Roselle) Deans H. H. Stoevener for J. M. White, D. E. Figger, M. A. Opliaruso, M. A. Lewis, L. A. Padis, R. S. Purdy; Drs. D. S. Myers, W. D. Purcell E. W. Carson, Fred Richardson, M. E. Sanders, J. F. Marchman, C. S. Rogers, David Bousquet, Admissions; Anna Shafer, Jeffrey Reeves, Margie Mahony
- ABSENT:** Dean T. W. Bonham, Drs. S. A. Hicks, J. S. Coartney, D. W. Dunay, Entzminger, and Charles Gavin - SGA
- VISITORS:** Dr. William E. Dugger; Ken Clark; Bill Rouady, Collegiate Times; and Susan Truelove, Spectrum

1. Call to Order and Announcement: Dr. Ford (chairing the meeting for Dr. Roselle) called the meeting to order at 3:00 pm. It was announced that the program name for Industrial Arts Education was changed to Technology Education and that the program name for Nuclear Science Engineering was changed to Nuclear Engineering. Also announced was the transfer of the B.S. in Business; major in Public Administration to a B.S. in Public Administration in the College of Architecture and Urban Studies. The Commission was reminded of the guidelines for checksheet approvals as outlined in Policy Memo #41. The Secretary of CUS will be requesting a checksheet for each college major, minor, and option so that a file is maintained in the Provost's Office as well as in the Registrar's Office. Dr. Ford will meet with the college Assistant/Associate Deans to establish an understanding as to what determines a significant enough change in a checksheet to constitute CUS approval.
2. The Agenda was approved as distributed.
3. The Minutes of the meeting of February 23, 1987 were approved.
4. The sequences/clusters in the core curriculum areas of Humanities/ Fine Arts and Social Sciences were approved as distributed to CUS. There were three sequences/clusters (Engl. 2554, 2564; AgEc 1005, 1006; FCD 1004, 3004) that are under consideration by the core curriculum committees and if forwarded to CUS will be considered as a part of the initial set of core courses.
5. Faculty-Authored Textbooks recommended by Dr. Wayne Purcell, Committee Chairman were approved. (list attached)
6. Dr. Carson discussed semester grade conversions. The calculation will be accomplished by multiplying quarter credits by 0.67 and then rounding up to the smallest integer equal to or greater than the product. Student could gain partial credits but never lose credit.
7. Dr. Purcell presented the response of the Faculty Senate to the issue of multiple majors (attached). Basically the Senate supported the concept of listing multiple major on the diploma and encouraged the development of a process to do so administratively.
8. The meeting adjourned at 4:00 pm.

Attachments

- Faculty authored text list
- Faculty Senate response...majors

Respectfully submitted,


David R. Ford, Secretary

NEXT MEETING: MAY 25, 3:00 PM, 6th FLOOR, LIBRARY BOARD ROOM



VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE AND STATE UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURAL ECONOMICS

Blacksburg, Virginia 2406

M E M O

Date: April 28, 1987

To: Members, Commission on Undergraduate Studies

From: Wayne Purcell

Re: Recommended Approvals of Faculty Texts

1-year approval:

Laboratory Experiments in Organic Chemistry. M. Hudlicky, Dept. of Chemistry. Avery Publishing Group, 1986. For use in 2541-2-3 Organic Chemistry Laboratory.

The Virginia Master Gardener Handbook. 27 College faculty and extension agents. VPI & SU, revised January 1987. For use in Hort 2010.

IBM-PC Microcomputer Interfacing, Scientific Instrument Automation. David E. Larsen and Paul E. Field. For use in Chemistry 4063 - Automated Instrumentation.

2-year approval:

Basic Physical Geology. Edwin S. Robinson, Dept. of Geological Sciences. John Wiley and Sons, Inc., 1982. For use in Geology 2030 - Physical Geology.

4-year approval:

Engineering Mechanics: Statics and Dynamics, Second Edition. J. L. Meriam, Mechanical Engineering. John Wiley & Sons, Inc., 1986. For use in ESM 1000-2000-2020 - Statics, Particle Mechanics, Rigid Body Dynamics.

Laboratory Experiments in General Chemistry. E. F. Furtsch, Professor Emeritus, and L. K. Brice, Professor of Chemistry, retired. Southern Printing, Blacksburg, VA 1981. For use in Chem. 1041-1042-1043, General Chemistry Laboratory.

Chem 4521 Supplement. H. M. Bell, Chemistry. Kinko's, 1987. For use in Chem 4521, Identification of Organic Compounds.

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4-year approval (cont.)

Laboratory Automation-Microprocessors and Minicomputers Interfacing and Applications and Laboratory Automation-A Rational Approach. R. E. Dessy and Chemistry Dept. Instrument Design and Automation Group. American Chemical Society, 1978. For use in Chemistry 4030, Minicomputer Interfacing.

Language Arts: Content and Teaching Strategies. Kenneth Hoskisson, C & I, Virginia Tech and Gail E. Tompkins, University of Oklahoma. Merrill Publishing Co., 1987. For use EDCI 4200, Teaching and Reading in a Developmental Program.

Ivan the Terrible. Joseph L. Wieczynski (trans. and ed.) Dept. of History. Academic International Press, 1986. For use in History 3631, History of Russia.

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Response of Faculty Senate to the Issue of Multiple Majors

In an earlier CUS meeting, I was asked to seek feedback from the Faculty Senate with regard to the issue of multiple majors on the degree. In the March meeting, the Faculty Senate discussed briefly the idea of multiple majors on the degree. There was no negative reaction and the discussion revolved around:

1. One degree, with up to 2 majors on the degree.
2. Student desiring multiple majors may have to wait until the second degree is earned to get the degree.
3. Student would need to specify which major is listed first.
4. If student fails to meet requirements of first choice of degree, but meets requirements of the second, would graduate with the one major.
5. Etc.

There is agreement that the issues suggested in points 1-5 would have to be worked out administratively and/or be brought up through the university system.

The Faculty Senate would view positively actions to move this issue forward.

Wayne Purcell
Faculty Senate Representative