Meeting Minutes: Nov. 1, 2012

Curriculum Committee Subcommittee of the Academic Senate

Present: A. J. Ritchie, Rebecca Beal, Letta Hlavachek, Dave King, Lisa Morse, Cari Torres, Joanna Pinckney, Chris Schultz, Fernando Agudelo-Silva

Resource: Kim O’Gara [absent]

Items Discussed:

1. Dave King presented material from the summer Curriculum Institute regarding the difference between ‘Course Objectives’ and ‘Student Learning Outcomes’. Interestingly, WASC requires SLO’s and Title 5 requires Objectives. It was suggested that we add this topic to our planned in service for faculty.

2. The Committee discussed the value of sharing some of the detail of curriculum development in an in service. All agreed that this would be helpful for the Committee, but some expressed concern that few would attend because this material is not universally seeing as critical. The Committee will continue to discuss and plan how to proceed.

3. Chris raised the possibility of changing the format of the Committee meetings in the following manner: Two meetings a month doing only Tech Review with Deans and relevant faculty present. We would only meet if courses were filed for review. On the alternate weeks the committee would address some of the broader issues such as G. E., Degrees, quality and relevance of programs and others. Although there was general interest in this approach, we will need to refine some of the details at a future meeting.

4. Cari and Chris presented the need to work with faculty to get the next phase of AA-T and AS-T Degrees developed. We are expected to have 80% of all degrees that have been identified by CSU completed by fall 2013. Cari is making progress currently with a number of degrees. Additional emphasis with particular faculty is essential if we are to make the deadline. The importance of having a counselor in this process was raised

Courses Approved:

No courses were approved because UDWC did not meet.