

## Curriculum Committee

Minutes of the September 20, 2019 meeting

**Present:** Lynette Claire, Gary McCall, Jake Price, Maria Sampen, Jonathan Stockdale, Jeff Tepper, Courtney Thatcher, Kathleen Campbell, Jane Carlin, Julie Christoph, Julia Looper

The meeting was called to order by LOOPER at 9 am.

1. Brad Reich has accepted the nomination to be chair of the committee, and was elected unanimously.
2. The committee agreed to meet on Fridays at 3:30 pm.
3. M/S/P [pending approval from Chair Brad Reich] to delegate routine decisions (e.g. approval of non-core classes) to the representative from the Deans office (Associate Academic Dean Julie Christoph), as articulated in the document "The Functions of the Associate Deans' Office in Curricular Matters."
4. Discussion of the Senate Charge for the Curriculum Committee: "Develop a credit bearing Summer Bridge Program curriculum in collaboration with the office of the Provost and Student Affairs for implementation in the summer of 2020."

Discussion revolved around whether the Curriculum Committee was the proper venue for the development of curriculum related to a Summer Bridge Program. STOCKDALE mentioned that the Faculty, not the Curriculum Committee, develop curriculum, and suggested the creation of a Summer Bridge Program should be taken up by an ad hoc committee of the Senate. CAMPBELL asked how this might relate to summer classes that are already in session, for which students pay tuition. Other questions raised included how this might relate to the first year plans being proposed by the various Curriculum Task Force groups, as well as what other committees and divisions are already working on first year transition programs. CHRISTOPH responded that these include the First Year Experience Group, Bookends, Posse, Access, Local Loggers, and the Diversity Summit. The committee asked Looper to return the charge to the Senate for reconsideration.

M/P to adjourn at 10 am.

Minutes submitted by Jonathan Stockdale