

Northern Marianas College
ACADEMIC COUNCIL
Minutes of December 20, 2010

DATE: December 20, 2010

TIME: 230 p.m.

PLACE: N-5

Voting Members Present:

Barbara K. Merfalen, Dean of Academic Programs & Services, *Chair*

James Kline, Chair, L&H Dept. *Vice Chair*

Dr. De Torres, Chair, SMHA Dept.

Thomas Sharts, Acting Chair, SSFA Dept.

Dr. John Griffin, Chair Business Dept.

Hervin Jacinto, Instructor for Rosa Tudela, Chair, Nursing Dept.

Non-Voting Members:

Galvin Deleon Guerrero, Director, OIE

Others Present:

Joyce Taro, Recorder

Meeting was called to order at about 2:35pm by the Chair, Dean Merfalen.

1) Review and Adoption of December 20, 2010 Agenda

Under old business: Tabled item b).

A motion was made to adopt the agenda as amended. M/S: Dr. Griffin/Dr. De Torres. Motion carried.

2) Review and Adoption of the following Minutes

a) November 8, 2010 **Tabled**

b) November 22, 2010 **Tabled**

c) December 6, 2010 **Tabled**

3) Announcements

None

4) Old Business

a) Strengthening Students in Math at NMC

Lyte Chapap was not present for this item, therefore it was tabled.

b) Faculty Portfolio **Tabled**

5) Department Request to Place Program(s) on *Inactive Status*

None

6) Individual Certificate Program (ICP)

None

7) Individual Degree Program (IDP) Revision

None

8) Course Guide Review

a) Inactive Status

None

b) Cancellations

None

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c) Modifications

i) AR 105

A motion was made to approve the AR 105 course guide as presented. M/S: Dr. Griffin/James. Motion carried.

ii) AR 135

The Chair asked that information regarding articulation with UOG be on the course guide. A motion was made to adopt the AR 135 course guide as amended. M/S: Dr. Griffin/James. Motion carried.

d) New

None

9) **New Business**

a) Gen Ed SLOs

It was discussed that the Gen Ed SLOs will need to be approved by Academic Council (AC). Before AC can do this, Department Chairs and the School of Education Director will need to discuss the SLOs with faculty, get their feedback for further discussion in AC. Galvin states that the categories are patterned to what accreditation requires for Gen Ed outcomes and PROAC has taken a look at these.

i) Chair for Gen Ed Committee

Tom Colton has put in his resignation as Chair for the Gen Ed committee. It was mentioned that the person will be in charge of doing the form 2. The Chair asked that someone volunteer rather than having an appointment made by the Interim President. James Kline was asked to discuss with his faculty and report back to AC.

The Chair mentioned that James will facilitate the next AC meeting since she will be on leave.

10) **Adjournment**

Meeting adjourned at 3:17pm.