SCHOOL OF HEALTH, PHYSICAL EDUCATION, AND RECREATION
ACADEMIC COUNCIL
Meeting Minutes
October 26, 2012
Approved by Academic Council November 9, 2012

Location: HPER C013

Members Present: Chair: Katie Grove (Kines)
Applied Health Science: Jon Macy, Maresa Murray
Environmental Health: Barbara Hocevar, Lisa Kamendulis
Epidemiology/Biostatistics: Shinga Feresu, Zhongxue Chen
Kinesiology: Carol Kennedy, Jan Wallace
Recreation, Park, and Tourism Studies: Rasul Mowatt, Craig Ross, Marieke Van Puymbroeck

Additional Attendees:
Ex Officio: Executive Associate Dean, Kathy Gilbert
Secretary: Dean’s Staff, Trudy McConnell

A. Approval of Agenda
   • R. Mowatt – Moved to accept agenda with additional action items: 6. Undergraduate Committee Description vote; 7. Agenda Committee Description vote.
     M. Van Puymbroeck – 2nd
     In favor – Unanimous

B. Approval of Meeting Minutes from, October 11, 2012
   • S. Feresu – Moved to accept October 11, 2012 minutes
     C. Kennedy – 2nd
     In favor – Unanimous

C. Committee Reports
   1. Undergraduate Studies Committee – M. Murray
      The committee description was discussed.
      The tab sheets are progressing with some modifications already approved.
   2. Graduate Studies Committee - L. Kamendulis
      • Kathy Gilbert recommended AC set policy to identify the structure and sequence for creation of new MPH degrees.
      • There was a question about how many MPH concentrations are enough and what is standard among other schools. The number of MPH degrees varies across schools. Two documents were requested for the AC and all faculty: 1) the MPH process required by CEPH and 2) a list of core MPH faculty.
a. The New Degree-MPH Professional Health Education was discussed. It was noted that
courses designated as HPER courses will automatically be changed to SPH with number
changes as needed. The following changes are needed:
1. Move the T-590 requirement from Major Coursework to Professional Health
   Education to be consistent with other MPH degrees.
2. Change Prerequisite HPER H502 to H552
b. The New Degree-MPH Family Health was discussed with no changes needed.
c. The revisions to curricular requirements and policies related to PhD degrees
   administered by SPH-B were discussed. The basic requirements will be uniform among
   all PhD degrees in the school.
d. The proposal to increase the maximum allowable transfer credits for students in SPH
   pursuing a master’s degree from 5 (current) to 9 (proposed) and to eliminate the
   existing rule that IU graduates get to transfer a maximum of 10 for a master’s degree
   was discussed.
e. The proposal to eliminate the research skills option that allows for proficiency in a
   language, including a passing score of the TOEFL, to be used as fulfilling required
   research skills was discussed.

3. Budgetary Affairs Committee – no report
4. Bloomington Faculty Council – M. Murray
   President McRobbie included three initiatives in his State of the University Address:
   • The first initiative is to provide a completion scholarship for students who have completed
     2 years of study at IU and are on track to graduate in 4 years. Details are being worked out,
     but these students will receive a financial aid award that will prevent tuition increases.
   • A second initiative requires students coming in with financial aid to take a course about the
     implications of taking on debt.
   • The third initiative includes more online courses and career advising. By fall 2014 it is
     hoped that all IUB schools will have at least a certificate or professional masters programs
     available. Due to the disparities across campus, efforts will be made to ensure career
     advising is adequate for all students.

5. Public Health Leadership Task Force – no report
6. Research Committee – no report
7. Academic Fairness/Faculty Grievance Committee - no report
8. Agenda Committee – S. Feresu
   The agenda committee description was reviewed.
9. Distinguished Service Award Selection Committee - no report
10. Teaching/Learning/Assessment Committee: - no report
11. Tenure and Promotion Committee – no report
12. Gender and Diversity – no report
13. Distributed Education Committee – no report
14. Update from Executive Associate Dean – K. Gilbert
• As one of the Bloomington representatives for the IU Online, Kathy spoke with the Vice Provost for Strategic Initiatives about our Recreational Therapy Masters. The overall plan for IU Online is that degree or certificate programs must be ready by fall 2013 to be promoted so that students can start enrolling in fall of 2014. Kelly Direct will work with units across campus to market the programs. Provost Robel has indicated that it would make sense that the first certificate we offer would be an MPH.

• There is a push to increase summer enrollment especially with undergraduate in-state students. One possibility is to put required courses online for summer; although here is also a desire that campus facilities should be used during the summer. Kathy shared with Sonia Stephens the Recreational Therapy summer schedule as well as camps and auxiliaries that bring people to campus in the summer. Sonia Stephens was unaware that we offered so much in the summer.

D. Discussion Items:
The SPH website needs to be reviewed by faculty presently all new content must be sent to Stephanie Brown Please bring back your comments about your website to the next AC Meeting.

E. Action Items:
- A motion comes from the Graduate Studies Committee to approve a new major in Family Health for the MPH degree with changes discussed in the presented proposal. In favor – unanimous
- A motion comes from the Graduate Studies Committee to approve a new major in Professional Health Education for the MPH degree as per the presented proposal. In favor – unanimous
- A motion comes from the Graduate Studies Committee to revise the curricular and policy requirements from the PhD degrees in the SPH-B as per the presented proposal.
  - R. Mowatt amended the stated motion to be contingent upon possible approval from departments that have not had a chance to review the proposal.
    M. Van Puymbroeck – 2nd
    In favor – unanimous
    Departments will contact Katie with their decision.
- A motion comes from the Graduate Studies Committee to eliminate the research skills option that allows for proficiency in a language, including a passing score on the TOEFL, to be used as fulfilling required research skills per the presented proposal.
  - R. Mowatt amended the stated motion to be contingent upon possible approval from departments that have not had a chance to review the proposal.
    M. Van Puymbroeck – 2nd
    In favor – unanimous
- A motion comes from the Graduate Studies Committee to expand the maximum number of credits that can be transferred into a master’s degree from the current 5 to 9; and to eliminate the existing rule that IU graduates get to transfer a maximum of 10 for a master’s degree.
R. Mowatt amended the stated motion to be contingent upon possible approval from departments that have not had a chance to review the proposal.

M. Van Puymbroeck – 2nd
In favor – unanimous

Departments will contact Katie with their decision.

- A motion comes from the Undergraduate Studies Committee to approve the proposed committee description.
  In favor – unanimous

- A motion comes from the Agenda Committee to approve the proposed committee description.
  In favor - unanimous

F. Items of Information

Healthy IU – Patty Hollingsworth
Patty coordinates the university wide Healthy IU, a prevention program for university employees.
There are three aspects of Healthy IU.

1. Healthy Change Fund – money has been set aside for each department to take a survey to determine which areas of health and well-being on primary prevention side to focus on. The Healthy IU provides the programs and services at the department level within their parameters.

2. Health Screenings – a financial incentive of $100 for full time employees and their spouses is given for participating. It is not tied to insurance premiums and numbers are not shared. The focus is on education as well as the screening.

3. Prevention programs for specialty diseases such as arthritis, diabetes, and others are available.

Patty would like to have further discussion on the Healthy Change fund and how it would be implemented. The first step is to decide whether and how to divide faculty and staff into smaller subsets. The decision of how to spend the money needs to be set by employees not by administration.

M. Van Puymbroeck – moved to adjourn