

Integrative Core Committee Minutes
Monday, February 19, 2018 2:00-3:15 p.m.

John Carroll University Integrative Core Committee:

Voting Members

Rodney Hessinger, Director (HS)
Brent Brossmann, Public Speaking (CO)
(also serving as Faculty Council rep Fall'17)
Chrystal Bruce, Natural Science (CH)
Gloria Vaquera, Issues in Social Justice (SC)
Maria Marsilli, Engaging the Global Community (HS)
Sheila E. McGinn, Theology & Religious Studies (TRS)
Karen Gygli, Creative & Performing Arts (CO)
Tom Pace, Writing & Written Expression (EN)
Gwen Compton-Engle, Humanities (CMLC)
Andy Welki, Quantitative Analysis (EC)
(also BSOB representative)
Rich Clark, Social Sciences (SC)

Julia Karolle-Berg, Humanities (HUM)
Tamba Nlandu, Philosophy (PL)
Roger Purdy, Link Courses

Ex Officio Members:

Todd Bruce, Director of Assessment
Margaret Farrar, CAS Dean
Anne Kugler, CAS Associate Dean
Graciela Lacueva, CAS Associate Dean
Pam Mason, CAS Associate Dean
Michelle Millet, Director, Grasselli Library
Nevin Mayer, Coordinator of Instruction, Grasselli Library
Michelle Reynard, Registrar
Maryclaire Moroney, Asst. Provost for Academic Advising
Catherine Sherman, Asst. Dean, Academic Advising
Carlo DeMarchi, Asst. Dean, Academic Advising

Voting Members Present P. Nietupski(for Sheila McGinn), T. Nlandu, G. Compton-Engle, M. Marsilli, R. Hessinger, C. Bruce, R. Purdy, R. Clark, K. Gygli **Ex Officio Members Present:** C. DeMarchi, T. Bruce, C. Sherman

Documents distributed at the meeting:

- A. Agenda
- B. Meeting Minutes from 2/5/18
- C. Memo Re: Proposed Revisions to the Administrative Structure of Core Curriculum
- D. Possible Additions to Core Language Policy
- E. Funding request for HS 296 & EN 299

1. Reviewed Minutes from 2/5/18 Meeting

Minutes were reviewed; corrections were made; Motion to accept corrected minutes was made, seconded, and passed (8 votes) 1 abstentions; 0 No's.

2. Review and Edit Core Revision Document for Spring Faculty Council Review:

R. Hessinger updated the Committee on the meeting he had with the Dean about this document; the Dean felt that two half's of the document might want to be separated now, this is something R. Hessinger will talk to Nick about. Reasons were discussed why not to separate it at this time – main reason being that two hearings would have to be held; R. Hessinger spoke with Dan Kilbride and Emily and they said no – the hearings could be held simultaneously.

- Discussion then moved to the advantages of moving the Core under the Provost. One key advantage would be that BSOB would be able to appoint to reps from Boler to the Core Committee. Provost could also exert more influence on Boler to teach more Core classes. It was pointed out that as of right now 98.5% of Core classes are taught by CAS; there is no incentive for BSOB to involve themselves. It was voiced that if the Core would be moved then it might get buried within the University and not much attention would be paid to it.
- Advantage #1 – Provost could put pressure on BSOB to run for elected Core Committee Positions

- Advantage #2 – The Core is a signature program of JCU, and Provost could make sure the Core is supported University Wide (engaging all departments/facets of JCU). The Provost owning The Core could insure that there is greater university wide involvement (IMC/Admissions/Enrollement, etc.)
- Discussion on expectation of the Provost – Core Committee could build guidelines of what they wanted to enforce. (R. Hessinger will solicit ideas on what the committee wants to see from the Provost and ask Nick what is appropriate for the Provost to do.)
- With a possible new Provost coming in, committee feels like it is time to “stake the core claim” so it becomes recognized with any new incoming faculty/administration.
- It was agreed that the vote on this decision to move the Core to the Provost will be done electronically after R. Hessinger edits the document, and sends it out for review.

3. Review Possible Additions to Core Language Policy by CMLC

G. Compton-Engle reviewed the document supporting two policies regarding exemption from the language requirement. She advised the committee that the CMLC department had reviewed these two issues and is in favor of the proposed policies. The first proposed new policy was: "International students--those who are citizens of or who have lived for at least ten years in another country whose primary language is not English--are exempt from the language requirement. "Discussion of the proposal turned toward wordsmithing the proposal to strike "citizenship" from the verbiage. G. Compton-Engle will review verbiage with Megan McBride and advise the Core committee. The second proposal was put to vote:

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Proposal	Vote
Students who have learned a language for which there is no placement exam at JCU can demonstrate proficiency in that language by taking a nationally-validated proficiency exam approved by the chair of the language department. The student will bear the cost of taking the exam. Demonstration of proficiency at or above the intermediate-mid level in at least two skills (oral proficiency as well as writing or reading) will qualify the student for a waiver of the language requirement. This waiver only exempts the student from the language requirement; it does not grant the student academic credit.	YES – 9 NO – 0 AB – 0

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5. Reviewed Request for Funding for HS 296 & EN 299

- The committee reviewed the request submitted by M. Zarzeczny and Dr. Bruce to fund a field trip for their Linked classes; Proposal was put to a vote: 9 approved; 0 abstentions; 0 No's

6. W allowed for AW for defined and closing Window of Time?

R. Hessinger gave background on how most students will be fulfilling AW next year, and that it would be temporary window for AW requirement to be fulfilled by W; R Hessinger went on to say that the W will survive for 1 year, then students would be taking AW instead. If instructor wants to turn a W class into an AW class then they need to apply for it. Committee agreed with this as long as it happens with R. Hessinger's guidance.

7. Update on course review progress from Distribution representatives:

No updates or concerns at this time.

Adjourned 3:20 pm.

Next meeting: Monday, March 12 at 2pm.