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Educational Policies Committee  
10/27/15  
4:30 p.m., Old Main 127  
Meeting Minutes

**Present:** Faculty: Tim Bloser, Dave Dehnel, Ann Ericson, Ellen Hay, Reuben Heine,  
Taddy Kalas, Vicki Phipps, Forrest Stonedahl, Shara Stough  
Students: Jacqueline Jastrzebski, LaDonna Miller,  
Ex Officio Members: Brian Katz

**Guests:**

**Absent:** Allan Daly, Christopher Saladin, Samantha DeForest-Davis, Liesl Fowler, Wendy  
Hilton-Morrow

**Start Time:** 4:33

**End Time:** 5:17

I. Approval of Minutes from 10/13/15 (**approved**)

II. Continuing Business

Announcements:

*Spanish class...footnote about HEPE credit has been rescinded.*

*Catalog language to accommodate new policy on P/NC grading for HEPE  
activity courses will be on the next faculty meeting agenda*

III. New Business

A. New Business Course: BUSN 308 Entrepreneurship for Non-Business Majors  
Supporting material: Recommendation to Add Course form, syllabus

- Taught by Michael Edmondson.*
- Latest version of the syllabus shows a grading scale and a week by week  
schedule.*
- Switch language from semester to term.*
- Attendance policy is elaborate and then he says he doesn't take attendance. He  
needs to take attendance.*
- Will be offered this Spring.*
- Don't understand the goal. This is preparing someone to start their own  
business. An original idea to use for their plan. Original in the sense, they will  
tailor it to what they want.*
- **Let's get the updated syllabus***

- B. Classics Department: Recoding of Courses from WLIT to CLAS  
Supporting Material: Memo from Classics on Course Recoding

*Liesl said that she is okay with this. They don't have to submit them as new courses. Ellen Hay moved to approve the recoding of the courses and Tim Bloser seconded it. Motion carried.*

- C. Proposal to Extend Summer Online Pilot  
Supporting Material: Brief memo requesting extension

*Wendy would be happy to share reports that she is compiling on this. Most of the courses use some form of skype. The request to extend the pilot seems reasonable. Courses are typically existing courses, so they aren't put through the "new course" system. Only a certain percentage of online classes can be counted for graduation, but we don't have a way of identifying online transfer courses. We need to ask for more information on the Luther partnership that was raised by HLC.*

**Additional discussion after the completion of the agenda:**

**The committee discussed what HLC is going to tell us and how EPC is going to play a role:**

*We need some kind of structured review of curriculum and learning perspectives.*

*Systematic course level assessment is lacking. It takes time to put together a teaching portfolio and providing evidence of student learning and it takes a long time to review it.*

*One approach is using common rubrics across courses to evaluate students.*

*Standardization is going to be the tricky one. Not standardization of action but of data collection.*

*Don't try to do what HLC wants, do what is valuable and then defend it.*

**Future item for attention:** *The Language requirement for international students needs to be looked at. Are we going for competency in the language or are we looking at studying the culture?*

*Respectfully submitted,  
Julie Olinger*