

Northern Illinois University
COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE (CIUAE)
2018-2019 MEETING #3
Monday, November 5, 2018

MINUTES

APPROVED

Present: Sheila Barrett (HHS); Dhiman Chakraborty (CLAS); Brianno Collier (CEET); Daryl Dugas (COE); Todd Gilson (Honors Director, Ex-officio); Angela Grippo (CLAS); Cindy Hellyer-Heinz (CVPA); Sarah Holmes (ULIB); Trude Jacobsen (CLAS); Michael Kane (CLAS-SAC); Ed Klonoski (Associate Vice Provost, Ex-officio); Emilie Nkangu (HHS_SAC); Sabrina Self (CLAS-SAC)

Absent: Pat Anderson (Alumni Association-Ex-officio); Elisa Fredericks (COB);

Guests: CENGAGE representatives: Stacy Lukaszewski; Hayden Shawler and Anita Bartelson

I. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by S. Self to approve the agenda, seconded by A. Grippo. T Jacobsen suggested moving the Cengage presentation to follow the agenda approval. **Motion for amended agenda passed unanimously.**

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made by D. Dugas to approve the minutes from the October 1, 2018 meeting, seconded by S. Holmes. **Motion passed unanimously,**

III. GUEST PRESENTATION

Representatives from Cengage gave a presentation covering their online subscription services for students. There are 675 courses in 70 disciplines covered by their service. There are three purchase options for students; by semester (\$119.99), one year (\$179.99) or two years (\$239.99). These subscriptions stay with the student and move between institutions. They have numerous partners including Kaplan, Quizlet, as well as bookstores, like Follett, that NIU uses. Faculty members must subscribe to premium package to use the service.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

- a. Update on membership: There is student representation from the Colleges of Liberal Arts and Sciences and Health and Human Sciences. Follow-up with other colleges will be done. Contact was made with faculty members who had not been attending

meetings to see if they had teaching conflicts; two had conflicts. Student Affairs was contacted regarding the Housing representative.

- b. Update on presentations to colleges: T. Jacobsen presented to CLAS 2 weeks ago; S. Barrett asked to be on CHHS next meeting; D. Dugas said his presentation went okay. He brought up the issue of his college's applications for EUIA/EUTA that were said to have been submitted last year. He asked that be looked into. C. Hellyer-Heinz wasn't able to attend CVPA's Oct 31st meeting but asked to be on the agenda for their next meeting.

V. NEW BUSINESS

- a. Themes for 2018-19 AY

As the committee discussed themes for the upcoming academic year, continued efforts surrounding textbook affordability will be pursued. Discussion included the fact that there are many subgroups focusing on textbook affordability. The committee agreed that ensuring faculty received appropriate information about the issue and what to do was a high priority.

Discussion whether the committee should survey students and/or faculty also took place. T. Jacobsen shared information on surveys that the Student Association is currently disseminating to students. It was agreed that students are receiving a large amount of surveys and the committee shouldn't add to it. It was suggested that the committee obtain data from the various surveys. It was also suggested that the surveys with the greatest participation may be the most important and those topics could be focused on next year. T. Jacobsen took responsibility for follow-up on that.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

M. Kane made a motion to adjourn at 2:11 p.m., seconded by A Grippo. **Motion passed unanimously.**

*Respectfully submitted,
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