

COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE UNDERGRADUATE ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

Monday, November 2, 2020

1:00-3:00 p.m.

Zoom Meeting

Minutes

Present: Daryl Dugas, Emma McMahon, Jimena Moreno, Tom Llibert, Lee Sunderlin, Andrea Radasanu, Jason Rivera, Michaela Holtz, Katja Wiemer, Danielle Young, Elisa Fredericks, Trude Jacobsen, Jennifer Gray, Venu Korampally, Michelle Nunez Salas, Jacob Sommer, Amanda Newman, Renique Kersh

The meeting began at 1:02pm.

Adoption of Agenda

Katja Wiemer moved to adopt the agenda for today's meeting; Lee Sunderlin seconded. The motion passed.

Approval of Minutes from October 5, 2020 meeting

Elisa Fredericks moved to approve the minutes from October 5, 2020; Trude Jacobsen seconded. The motion passed.

Announcements

EUTA/EUIA and Raymond updates

Nominations and applications for these awards went live on October 15. No further committee work on these items will be necessary until February.

Advertising for the Raymond Award

Flyers have been created and branded properly. They will be distributed by Announcements and emails. When the Raymond flyers are finalized, student representatives will be asked to let other students know so that they can encourage faculty to nominate themselves.

Governor's Emergency Education Relief Grant (GEER)

The grant is designed to assist with:

- Job loss costs related to COVID.
- Technology costs.
- Peer-to-peer academic coaching, which will allow NIU to hire of about 50 students to serve as coaches.

Academic support consolidation is working on the following:

- Providing students one entry point (website) where they can access all the academic support available to them
- Merging ACCESS and the University Writing Center

- Providing better support for STEM students

Please send feedback to Kersh regarding desired services or ideas about existing services

Old Business

Developing a Purpose and Scope of Impact for the Committee

After discussion the committee decided that it will choose areas of focus and identify units on campus that are or could be working on them, then collaborate to develop ways to address these issues and make recommendations that could be presented to the Baccalaureate Council (BC) The BC could then chose to implement recommendations across campus.

Focus themes for the 2020-2021 Academic Year –

After the committee reviewed the small group discussion notes from the October meeting, Venu Korumpally motioned that the CIUAE take on the issue of increasing student's sense of belonging/inclusion/feeling welcome in both the academic and co-curricular realms. Katja Wiemer seconded the motion, which was then approved.

New Business

Subcommittee Selection (Facilitators in Bold)

- 1) Inside the Classroom: **Jimena Moreno, Katja Wiemer**, Elisa Fredericks, Trude Jacobsen, Amanda Newman, Jennifer Gray, Venu Korampally, and Lee Sunderlin
- 2) Outside the Classroom **Michelle Nunez Salas, Jason Rivera, Danielle Young**, Michaela Holtz, Andrea Radasanu, Emma McMahon, Jason Rivera, Tom Libert

By virtue of reaching the end of the agenda, Dugas declared the meeting adjourned at 2:54pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Campbell