Degrees and Certificates Committee Minutes

Date: May 13, 2015
Sylvania, CC Conf. Room B, 2pm to 4pm

In Attendance					
	Kathleen Bradach		Joanne Harris	✓	Cheryl Scott
✓	Dorina Cornea-Hasegan	✓	Janeen Hull (Chair)	✓	Dave Stout
	Phil Christain	✓	Alex Jordan		
✓	Beth Fitzgerald		Eriks Puris		
Committee Support					
✓	Kristin Benson	✓	Anne Haberkern	✓	Djambel Unkov
✓	Kendra Cawley	✓	Joy Killgore	✓	Susan Wilson
✓	Sally Earll		Jessica Morfin		
Guests					
Amanda Gallo		Pat Kraft		Alexander Vins	
Arlene McCashew					

OLD BUSINESS: None

DISCUSSION ITEMS:
- DOI Report: Cheryl Scott
  - None
- EAC Report: Janeen Hull
  - Next year's monthly meetings: The committee decided that for the 15-16 year, meetings will remain at the Sylvania campus. The Curriculum Committee will also meet at Sylvania. The committee will also change the June meeting to the second MONDAY so as not to conflict with either Curriculum Committee or the EAC meetings.
  - New members: Amanda Gallo & Arlene McCashew will be joining DAC starting fall 2015.
- Interim Registrar Discussion Item: Kristin Benson
  - Writing Competency and Gen Ed Waiver - AAS & AGS
    - Currently, if a student already possesses a degree from a regionally-accredited US institution, the General Education and Writing Competency requirements can be waived.
      - However, students who possess an equivalent degree issued from a foreign institution in which the language of Instruction is English may not have the requirement waived.
      - Students with degrees from US institutions might have degrees with no general education or writing requirements as part of their course of study.
  - Benson would like the committee to consider:
    - Revising the language in the AGS and AAS so that it will waive all general education requirements for any institution (regionally-accredited US institution or equivalent)

- Revising the language in the AGS and AAS so that it will waive the writing competency requirement for any institution (regionally-accredited US institution or equivalent)
  - The committee would like the Registrar and her team to return to the committee in June with suggestions of how the language should look to in order to remedy the international degree waiver issue.
    - This conversation will continue within the committee, but a resolution is expected to be in place in time for the 16-17 academic catalog (once it is decided upon and has been approved through the proper channels).
- Dean of Student Affairs Report: Kendra Cawley
  - Accreditation Review from NWCCU
    - The College should continue its work in the area of general education learning outcomes, and in this context, ensure that all CTE degrees and certificates have related instruction components based on identifiable and assessable general education learning outcomes and that these areas are taught or monitored by teaching faculty who are appropriately qualified in those areas. Standard 2.C.11.
    - The full and official report, which has not been released yet, will provide more details.
  - Majors
    - In their upcoming session, the HECC is likely to remove the language that excludes community colleges from having majors.
    - What a major at PCC could entail will be a larger conversation for the college community in which the DAC will be there to assist & guide the discussion. DAC is awaiting the parameters/guidelines for majors that are to be set by CCWD.
    - Broader conversations are expected to begin at the DAC & EAC in the fall.
  - General Education
    - Representatives from DAC, CC, and Learning Assessment Council have been talking about how our general education courses meet PCC's core outcomes.
    - June 1-6, 2015, a team from the college will journey to the University of Central Oklahoma in Edmond, OK to attend the AAC&U Institute on General Education. The team will report an update at the June meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

All items can be viewed in Courseleaf, which can be accessed through your MyPCC account.

- **Geographic Information Systems Certificate GIS Electives**

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Degree/Certificate Title	Recommended for approval:	Recommended w/amendments:	Postponed
1. **Machine Manufacturing Technology Program Prerequisites** • Sentence was changed to: Successful completion of (RD 90 and WR 90) or (ESOL 260 and 262 and 254) and MTH 65 or equivalent placement test scores.		✔	
2. **CNC Turning One-Year Certificate**	✔		
3. **CNC Milling One-Year Certificate**	✔		