**UK Core Education Committee (UKCEC)**

**February 10, 2014**

**Patterson Office Tower, Room 245, 3:00-4:30 pm**

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| **Members Present:** |  | **Ex Officios Present:** | **Guests Present:** |
| Russell Brown | Juliana McDonald | Mike Shanks | Leah Simpson |
| Tracy Campbell | Brian McNely |  | Chris Thuringer |
| Amy Gaffney | Ben Withers (Chair) |  |  |
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1. Approval of minutes from January 13, 2014 meeting

Approved by consensus.

1. Assessment Update/Discussion

Chris Thuringer proposed revisions to the rating scales on the assessment rubrics, which are currently five-point scales. The proposal is to revise these to three-point scales to include: Does Not Meet Expectations, Meets Expectations, and Exceeds Expectations. This revision is currently in process for the Citizenship rubric, and it may make sense to maintain consistency throughout all rubrics. The expectation is that the revised scale will simplify and clarify the rating process for evaluators. Some concern was expressed that the three-point scale won’t allow for precise ratings for courses that may be somewhere in between the three-point scale ratings. The suggestion was also made to keep the “Zero” rating for any responses that do not meet the parameters of the assignment.

Area Experts will help develop drafts of the rubrics which will then be sent to faculty and Associate Deans for review and feedback. The UKCEC will seek input from the Inquiry Area Experts before deciding how quickly to move forward with the revisions.

1. Consent Agenda

**Quantitative Foundations**

CS 261 – Social Networks: Methods and Tools

-approved

**Arts and Creativity**

ENG 168 – All That Speak of Jazz: An Intellectual Inquiry into Jazz and Democracy

-hold for next meeting for Nancy Jones to present

1. Course “Recertification” Discussion

UKCEC has previously discussed the need to review UK Core sub-titled courses to ensure the courses have not drifted from the Core learning outcomes since their initial approval. The suggested process was to review four years after the initial approval by requesting a current syllabus for each course from the department Chair.

The UKCEC needs to solidify this process and begin reviewing older courses. Members discussed whether the review should just include sub-titled courses or a broader sampling of all courses. It was requested that Chris Thuringer compile a list of sub-titled courses to find how many courses would be involved in that review. The course recertification discussion will be continued at a future meeting.

1. Meeting adjourned at 4:05 pm.

Prepared by Joanie Ett-Mims on February 11, 2014