**UK Core Education Committee (UKCEC)**

**May 12, 2014**

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

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| **Members Present:** |  | **Ex Officios Present:** | **Guests Present:** |
| Jonathan Allison | Amy Gaffney | Mike Shanks | Karen Badger (acting Chair) |
| Russell Brown | Juliana McDonald |  | Leah Simpson |
| Patty Cook-Craig | Brian McNely |  | Chris Thuringer |
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1. Approval of minutes from April 21, 2014 meeting

-Approved by consensus.

1. Consent Agenda

**Social Sciences**

AIS 430 – Islam in America

-approved

MCL 135 – Vampires: Evolution of a Sexy Monster

-approved

1. Course discussion:

**Global Dynamics**

UKC 11x – Global Shakespeare: course proposer addressed Juliana’s concerns

-approved

**Social Sciences**

COM 317 – Communication in Family and Marital Relationships

-outside reviewers requested two blank items on the Social Sciences review form be filled out (assignment requiring students to identify a research question and research strategies relevant to that question; assignment requiring students to identify and use appropriate research sources)

-syllabus issues: grading scale should include failing grade of ‘E’ instead of ‘F’; learning outcome #1 should be revised from “understand” to “demonstrate”

-Patty will contact proposer to request revisions to syllabus and review form

1. Assessment
2. Approval of revised rubrics:

-positive response from Deans, Associate Deans, DUSs and Dept. Chairs

-may have more feedback after the assessments – evaluators will be asked to respond to the assessment process and rubrics

-approved

1. May evaluation update:

-3000 assignments to be assessed, 70 evaluators

-May 13-15

1. Assignment alignment in Blackboard:

-usually around 80% compliance

-currently at 65% this semester

-Area Experts will contact non-compliant instructors to request that they align an assignment

1. Informational Updates
2. Summer combined meeting of Undergraduate Council and UKCEC will be held June 16 or June 18, according to availability

-Undergraduate Council will meet all day, UKCEC will join at lunch; committees will hold separate meetings in

the early afternoon, then combine for joint meeting to close

-Meeting will focus on communication between all reviewing committees and improvements that can be made

to the review process to avoid delays/duplication of work

1. Area Experts expressed frustration with the review process due to a lack of response from outside reviewers. Reviewers are not compensated or recognized for their work; therefore, UK Core course reviews are not a priority.

-A pool of reviewers could be developed from those with previous experience with the UKCEC or development of UK Core

1. UKCEC should consider how to handle the projected enrollment of 5,100 incoming students in the fall (up from 4,600 in fall 2013) and the pressure that this may put on UK Core courses
2. Fall 2014 meeting schedule – members will be polled for availability

Meeting adjourned at 3:55 pm.

Prepared by Joanie Ett-Mims on May 16, 2014