

Academic Affairs Committee Meeting  
Minutes  
February 23, 2017

**Presiding:** Dr. Erin Eaton

**Other Committee Members Present:** Dr. Annie Muller, Dr. Karen Gittings, Dr. Jeff Steinmetz, Dr. Larry Engelhardt, Dr. Kay Poston, Dr. Ruth Wittmann-Price, Dr. Callum Johnston, Dr. Shawn Smolen-Morten, Dr. Bill Whitmire, Dr. Glen Gourley, Dr. Nick Newman

**Also attending:** Dr. Christopher Kennedy (Associate Provost), Dr. Beckie Flannagan (Chair of the Faculty), along with representatives of departments with proposals under consideration

Chair Eaton called the Meeting to order at 3:45 PM.

I. The minutes from January 26, 2017, were approved as posted, following a motion and a second.

II. Proposal from the Office of the Provost

a. Was unanimously approved (following a motion and second) with a wording modification

III. Proposal from the Department of Biology

a. Was unanimously approved (following a motion and second)

b. Was unanimously approved (following a motion and second)

c. Was unanimously approved (following a motion and second)

d. Was unanimously approved (following a motion and second) with a re-ordering of the names to alphabetize

e. Was unanimously approved (following a motion and second)

IV. Proposals from the School of Business

a. Was unanimously approved (following a motion and second)

b. Was unanimously approved (following a motion and second)

c. Was unanimously approved (following a motion and second)

d. Was unanimously approved (following a motion and second)

e. Was withdrawn from consideration

f. Was unanimously approved (following a motion and second)

h. Was unanimously approved (following a motion and second)

i. Was unanimously approved (following a motion and second)

j. Was unanimously approved after editorial changes (following a motion and second)

k. Was unanimously approved after editorial changes (following a motion and second)

V. Proposal from the Department of English, Modern Languages and Philosophy

a. Was unanimously approved after editorial changes (following a motion and second)

VI. Proposal from the Department of Fine Arts' Music Industry Program

a. Was unanimously approved (following a motion and second)

VII. Proposals from the School of Health Sciences

Items a – f were considered together and were unanimously approved (following a motion and second)

g. Was unanimously approved after editorial changes (following a motion and second)

VIII. Proposal from the Department of History

a. Was unanimously approved after editorial changes (following a motion and second)

IX. Proposal from International Programs

a. Was unanimously approved (following a motion and second)

X. Old Business

None

XI. New Business

Report from the Institutional Effectiveness Committee and the Director of Institutional Effectiveness

The AAC observed that the process outlined in the flowchart on p. 2 of the report has not been followed, in that the IE has not yet considered comments and corrections from department heads. Thus, the AAC deferred a decision regarding the report pending the IE Committee completion of the step.

XII. Adjournment—The meeting adjourned at 5:05 PM

Respectfully submitted,  
Kay M. Poston