

Minutes Academic Council March 21, 2014 Library Conference Room 2:00 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Members: Randy Bachmeier, Darlene Bricker, Christine Shearer Cremean, Steven Don, Jay Howland, Greg Kegel, Norton Pease, Bill Rugg, Larry Strizich, Arlys Williams Missing members: Larry Strizich and Arlys Williams Substitutes: Brigit Hemmer and Barbara Zuck Chair: Dr. William J. Rugg Minutes: Chris Bond

- 1. Minutes from February 28, 2014: Minutes approved as written.
- 2. Semester start date: move to Wednesday: Update:

Checked with Alisha and the semester start date <u>cannot</u> be moved to Wednesday, because of the number of required instructional days in the calendar.

3. Academic Guide:

Needs to be dated somewhere with notation "this supersedes all previous Academic Guides"

Old ones need to be destroyed, they are the light colored ones

Looking to print new ones this summer

All programs need to be checked and updated and double checked before being sent to Jim Potter

4. NWCCU Review:

Mission tied to objectives-verifying that objectives are being fulfilled Measurement of Core Themes needs adjusting Needs this language in syllabi: "Student Learning Outcomes"

Gen Ed discussion:

Learning objectives All syllabi must be the same Bill will discuss with Academic Senate the next step 5. Program Prioritization:

Bill is looking at all involved courses with fresh eyes He needs to be convinced about courses If something new is being added what is being deleted Getting no new lines

Looking at class sizes and class room utilization Minimums have to be enforced Merge sections/offer both online and face to face for student options

Maybe more options for untraditional students: Evening/weekend courses Winter session

Independent Study requests are being scrutinized by Bill

- 6. Brigit Hemmer brought changes that the Nursing department are looking at making in the program.
- 7. Roundtable
- 8. Next meeting will be April 28, 2014 same time, same place.

Meeting adjourned at 3:25 p.m.