



The University of Vermont
FACULTY SENATE

**Curricular Affairs Committee of the Faculty Senate
Minutes**

Thursday, November 2, 2023, 4:15 – 6:15 pm on Teams

Present: Professors Kervick (CESS), Everse (LCOM), Borchert (Faculty Senate President), de Jager (LCOM), DeSisto (CALs), Doherty (LIB), Emery (CAS), Harrington (CAS), Hibbeler (CEMS), Lau (LCOM), Mayo (CESS), Rosebush (CEMS), Sargent (CNHS), Seidl (RSENR), Swogger (LIB), Tomas (GSB), and Bednarik (SGA)

Absent: Professors Blom (CAS), Frimpong (CNHS), Jones (GSB), Murray (CALs), Panikkar (RSENR), Vizcarra (CAS), Vacant (LCOM)

Guests: Dickinson, Ebert

Chair Kervick called the meeting to order at 4:16 PM.

I. Approval of October 2023 Minutes

Motion: Rosie moved to approve the minutes. The motion was seconded and carried unanimously.

II. Co-Chair's Remarks.

- A. The President emphasized to the Board of Trustees how appreciative he was of the work the CAC did around Co-Majors during the last BOT meeting.
- B. Looking for a subcommittee that would have two members that are willing to engage in reviewing a batch of proposals. They would include a new minor, a new BS, and a new BA around Geosciences. Since all three are related it makes sense to have the same group reviewing them.
- C. Need two people to review the revision to the math major in CAS. Professors Lau and Hibbeler volunteered.
- D. Medical Lab Sciences self-study will be ready for review by the end of this month, and they need an APR committee to review the materials and create a summary report. Professors Rosebush and de Jager volunteered.
- E. December meeting will be in person in 427a Waterman, snacks will be provided.

III. Reports – none

IV. Academic Program Reviews (APR) –

- A. **Counseling Graduate Program. [Swogger, Tomas]**

Summary and Conclusions We concur with the observation that given the rigor and high standards that are part of the accreditation review process, this accreditation status provides strong evidence of the program's high-quality curriculum and practices for Counselor Education. While the program and its reviewers both identified assorted challenges in the recent past, they have responded vigorously to address and overcome them all. The external accreditor recognized this with full re- accreditation for each of its M.S. programs, through 2029.

The subcommittee believes that the APR process was correctly followed and recommend approval of this report.

Motion: Stephen Everse called a vote to accept the subcommittee's report of the APR of the Counseling Graduate Program.

Vote: 14 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain. **The motion carried.**

B. Communication Science Disorder Graduate program [Hibbeler, Lau]

Summary and Conclusions

We feel the APR process was followed and recommend approval of this APR.

Motion: Stephen Everse called a vote to accept the subcommittee's report of the APR of the Communication Science Disorder Graduate program.

Vote: 14 approve, 0 oppose, 0 abstain. **The motion carried.**

V. Other Business

- A. New Course Prefix request from CAS, Colby.** The 15-day circulation period for this request is not complete, however the CAC will discuss the request at this meeting, and it will be sent out for an electronic vote once the 15-day circulation period is complete.

The request is coming from the College of Arts and Sciences for a new course prefix specific to the School of the Arts.

- VI. New Business.** There was no new business at this meeting and the committee adjourned early.

The meeting adjourned at 4:58 PM.