Student Affairs Committee
Minutes
December 2, 2021
8:30-10:00 a.m.
Microsoft Teams

Present: Kenneth Allen (CNHS), Thomas Borchert (Faculty Senate President), Matthew Carlson (CAS), Terry Delaney (CALS), Steve Gove (GSB), Denise Hersey (LIB), Karla Karstens (CEMS), Jennifer Prue (CESS), Devika Singh (LCOM), Sarah Twitchell (LCOM), Scott Van Keuren (CAS), Evan Siegel (SGA), Kris Stepenuck (RSENR)

Absent: Vacant (GSS)

Guests: J. Dickinson, Veronika Carter, Bryn Geffert

Co-Chair Jennifer Prue called the meeting to order at 8:30 am via Microsoft Teams.

1. Minutes. Terry moved to accept the minutes of November 2021 as written, Sarah seconded the motion. The minutes were approved.

2. Libraries Budget, Dean Geffert.

UVM Libraries
Why we lost ScienceDirect and ClinicalKey

1. UVM Libraries’ declining budget
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- Additional cut: **4%**
- Total cut: **9%**
Clinical Key

ClinicalKey with ScienceDirect: $119,737
ClinicalKey after ScienceDirect: $482,228

3. A failing publishing ecosystem

Consumer Price Index & Journal Prices

- Consumer Price Index (%)
- Journal Prices (%)

Graph showing the comparison between Consumer Price Index and Journal Prices from 1990 to 2020.
The SAC will ask the Executive Council to have a conversation about the Libraries budget and how the senate committees can work together to make a resolution supporting them. The SAC would also like to ask that the Executive Committee invite Dean Geffert to a full Faculty Senate meeting to address these issues.


CEMS recently completed an ABET accreditation visit and received a request to adjust the process of documenting pre-requisite overrides. ABET is looking for a reason field at the time of a pre-req override. Below is what the registration override menu looks like now. We’d be adding a drop-down to the “Override prerequisite” option only so anyone (all faculty/dean’s office staff) issuing a prerequisite override would be required to select one of the following reasons:

Please Provide the reason for approving a pre-requisite override:

- Pre-req credit earned at another institution
- Student is enrolled in pre-requisite course at another institution
- Student demonstrated pre-requisite knowledge to faculty
The committee discussed and made recommendations to the policy for consideration.

5. **Out of Class Expectations Update.** This will be a longer process. As the subcommittee makes progress they will update the committee.

6. **Spring Meeting Pattern.** The committee would like to continue with Teams meetings for the spring semester.

7. **SAC Spring Items.**
   - **A.** Residential learning committees with course work attached to them.
   - **B.** Professional advising and how that pushes students toward certain majors.
   - **C.** Garbage can availability.

8. **Old Business/ New Business.** There was no old / new business at this meeting.

The SAC was adjourned at 10:00 a.m. The next meeting of the SAC will be on January 13, 2021 at 8:30am on Microsoft Teams.