Westfield State University
Curriculum Committee
Minutes of November 18, 2010

Members present: Eric Bressler, Joe Camilleri, James Carabeta, Christin Cleaton-Ruiz, Leticia Crespo, Jennifer DiGrazia, Volker Ecke, Dominick Farbo, Donald Ferris, Liam Harte, Brian Hubbard, Christine Irujo, Stan Jackson, David Laing, Marsha Marotta, Enrique Morales-Diaz, John Ohotnicky, Carlton Pickron, Supriya Sarnikar, and Mary Allen Watson.

Guests: Corinne Ebbs and Susan Leggett.

The meeting was called to order at 3:54 PM.

CHAIR’S REPORT

- The minutes of October 21, 2010 were approved unanimously.

- Chair Carabetta discussed how ACC 09-192, regarding the Prior Learning Portfolio Proposal, had proceeded through governance in an unorthodox manner. He stated that Subcommittee A reviewed the policy and forwarded it to the full Curriculum Committee, for its approval. The following alterations were made by the entire Curriculum Committee:

  - Only the first paragraph contained within Purpose: is to be included in the Bulletin (the second paragraph is “rationale” and is not appropriate text for placement within the Bulletin).

  - Change the first sentence of the first paragraph of the Purpose: text lớn, “The purpose of a Prior Learning Portfolios (PLP) is to award academic credit for prior learning”, to “The purpose of this Division of Graduate and Continuing Education Prior Learning Portfolio (PLP) program is to award academic credit for prior learning.”

  - Append as a final sentence to the Purpose: text, “Prior Learning Portfolio credits may not be available for all majors.”

  - Change within the first sentence of item 2 of the Process: text the words “division appropriate dean” to “Dean of the Division of Graduate and Continuing Education”.

The Committee approved the policy by the following vote:

17 in favor, 1 opposed, 1 abstention.
Chair Carabetta requested Subcommittee A's report regarding ROCCC (Review of the Common Core Committee). David Laing presented Subcommittee A's deliberations and recommendations regarding ROCCC. He presented a document entitled "Subcommittee A Recommendation with regard to ACC #05-63 and ACC #09-25 dealing with the Review of the University's Common Core" to the entire Committee. General discussion regarding the document ensued.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:55 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

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Addendum: MM moved that CC ask ACC for more time for a response to the ROCCC report. If for 1 again 0 abst?