

## UNDERGRADUATE OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE (UOAC)

### WORCESTER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE

Minutes of 2017-18 meeting #11, January 25, 2018

Present: L. Mathews (chair), D. Samson (secretary), J. deWinter, A. Heinricher (Provost's Office), S. Donta-Venman (Office of Institutional Research), G. Cataldo '20 (SGA), P. St. Louis (Engineering, permanent visitor)

The meeting came to order at 12:08.

The minutes of meetings #9 and #10 were discussed and approved subject to incorporation of corrections.

P. St. Louis reported that the upcoming ABET retreat will be held on March 7.

L. Mathews reported that her revision of the motion that UOAC will send to CAP was approved by UOAC via email poll. CAP will consider this motion for presentation to the faculty on Monday, January 29, at a meeting that Mathews has been invited to attend.

UOAC members discussed what the committee's next initiative should be. Mathews asked whether the next project should be working with the Department of Humanities and Arts on outcomes assessment. Discussion, led by Mathews, Heinricher, Cataldo and deWinter, explained the department's current initiatives and concerns. The committee decided to wait to suggest working with Humanities and Arts until the department completes its initiatives in progress. It was agreed to invite department head Kristin Boudreau and Professor Lance Schachterle, who drafted much of the language about the humanities that was added to the WPI Plan, to attend an upcoming UOAC meeting at their convenience (to be scheduled).

L. Mathews distributed copies of the WPI catalogue page listing the institute's Undergraduate Outcomes and suggested that the next meetings of UOAC focus on revisions of Outcome #9, concerning professional ethics, and #10, concerning lifelong learning. P. St. Louis cautioned that both ethics and lifelong learning are mandatory goals required by ABET, and ABET's requirements should be considered in any revisions.

The meeting adjourned at 1:01.

Respectfully submitted,

D. Samson, secretary