

## Minutes of UOAC Meeting #11 on January 30, 2017

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm in the Beckett conference room. In attendance: L. Mathews (chair), J. deWinter (secretary), C. Demetry, D. Samson, D. Olinger, and A. Donta-Venman (guest).
2. Minutes from meeting #10 were approved with minor revisions.
3. CAP approved the formation of the Global & Multicultural Competency Taskforce. CAP would like to review membership and charge.
4. Mathews and Olinger met with COG to discuss the CAP/UOAC motion to add the Director of Institutional Research as a member to UOAC. UOAC is waiting to hear back from COG on this issue.
5. Global & Multicultural Competency Taskforce discussion and draft
  - a. Charge: We would like to revisit Outcome 8 and revise it to incorporate global and multicultural literacy outcomes and begin to draft an assessment plan. Before the taskforce completes detailed work, UOAC sees the possibility of bringing a draft to the full faculty for feedback. What would global and multicultural skills look like in an ideal graduate? For example: "WPI undergraduates will be able to..."
    - i. It's important to establish that this outcome needs to be achievable entirely via on-campus work at multiple points in the curriculum and is not the full burden of off campus project centers and/or the humanities and arts. Ideally, this outcome does not limit student acquisition only through liberal arts work. Nevertheless, the HUA and global project centers might provide approaches and structures that might be transferred to other courses?
  - b. The taskforce can look to see how students achieve this through multiple modes and avenues across the curriculum.
  - c. The question was raised about reporting—should they report to CAP or UOAC? How often should they report? And so forth. The consensus is that this committee will receive the report and turn it into a motion to present to CAP.
  - d. Possible membership: 1 member of UOAC, 1 person from CAP, 1 person from IGSD who is also a center director, 1 undergraduate student representative, and 1 person from HUA for a total of 6 members.
    - i. Timing is dependent on funding. UOAC anticipates that it will be completed more quickly in the summer if faculty members are provided a stipend to conduct and complete work prior to A term.
  - e. Mathews will draft a charge to circulate at the meeting on Feb 6<sup>th</sup>.
6. Advisor report: on hold pending input from Dean Heinricher concerning technical capabilities of the Banner system.
7. Meeting adjourned at 3:45