

**AGENDA**  
**Educational Policies Committee**  
**Monday, March 13, 2017**  
**604 Cohodas**  
**3:00 p.m.**

- I. Approval of Minutes (February 20, 2017)
- II. Approval of Agenda
- III. Business
  - a. APR Process – J.D. Phillips & Abigail Wyche
  - b. College of Health Sciences & Professional Studies Update
  - c. FTETF Discussion – Article 5.1.1.1
  - d. Initial Discussion on Evaluating Impacts of 16cr Change
  - e. Update on SRA
  - f. Email Policy
  - g. APR Updates
    - i. Sociology – EPC response
    - ii. Accounting – EPC response
    - iii. History
    - iv. Economics – EPC response
  - h. EPC agenda generation for next meeting
- IV. Good of the Order

**EPC Meeting Minutes**  
**March 13, 2017**

Present: C. Mesloh, L. Warren, L. Putman, B. Canfield, J. Thompson, D. Kapla, R. Winn, L. Putman, D. Rayome

In the absence of J. Leonard, L. Putman was chair.

**Approval of Minutes (February 20, 2017)**

D. Kapla moved approve. C. Mesloh seconded.

**Approval of Agenda**

R. Winn moved to approve. D. Kapla seconded.

**Business**

A. APR Process

JD Phillips (Math) and Abigail Wyche (Social Work) were invited to give their thoughts on the APR Process. Social Work submitted their accreditation document as their self-study. Accreditation and APR are redundant. A schedule of SRA could replace APR. The Math Department thought it was a great process and learned a lot about their department. They agreed the self-study could be shortened and the outside reviewer is important.

B. College of Health Sciences & Professional Studies Update

C. Mesloh gave a presentation on the College of Health Sciences & Professional Studies. The presentation may be viewed on the EPC website and Share Site.

C. FTETF Discussion – Article 5.1.1.1

B. Canfield requested data five weeks ago. He has fall 2015 data and is waiting for fall 2016. The ratio of tenure track faculty has been under 56% since fall 2010. It should be 60%. B. Canfield read article 5.1.1.1 to the committee. We are roughly 30 full time positions short. EPC should develop a plan to give to the Provost. D. Kapla has talked to departments about term appointments who are about to obtain continuing contract status and the possibility of converting to tenure track. The likelihood of those in terms being qualified for tenure track positions is not likely. L. Putman said we should get the enhancement program back in place. D. Kapla said projected staffing plans for fall 2018 are in the works. D. Rayome said converting terms to tenure track maybe the only way to fix. B. Canfield said there needs to be a fundamental shift in the way things are done internally. L. Putman said we should come up with the number of tenure track faculty conversions from term that would give us the ratio and give this number to SRA. See if this data can be part of the SRA. L. Putman will talk with Carol Johnson (co-chair of Academic Programs Task Force) to see if the ratio may be taken in to account. She will also talk with Brent Graves to see what he recalls.

D. Email Policy

B. Canfield finds NMU's email policy very frustrating. Seems incredibly backwards. The expiration of emails causes problems. It's difficult to keep in contact with former students. The eight-character limit makes us look bad. The move to g-mail will not solve these issues. L. Warren suggested he search the policy database. The electronic records management policy covers this.

Meeting adjourned 5:00