# Kinesiology Undergraduate Studies Committee Meeting Minutes February 1, 2019

#### Call to order

Kelli Koltyn called to order the regular meeting of the Undergraduate Studies Committee at 1:30pm on February 1, 2019 at Room 2007 of the Natatorium.

## Attendance

The following persons were present: K. Koltyn, J. Branchaw, K. Gruben (via Skpe), C. Kuhrasch, M. Shields, K. Strang, A. Winterstein, T. Orleans, J. Schneider, M. Sullivan, L. Cappabianca.

# Approval of agenda/minutes

Agenda/Minutes approved via common consent.

### Announcements

- a) Morgan Shields recently attended the American Kinesiology Association convention in Arizona. Student awards are available through the organization. If you have anyone to nominate please send names to Morgan Shields.
- b) Kinesiology applications close today. We will receive them after SoE reviews them for completeness. Each application will be reviewed by two people on the committee. It is not simply a GPA review; we employ a more holistic review process. April 2 & 3 are tentative dates for orientation. We hope to have the applications by mid-late February and turn them around quickly. This is the last incoming AT class. If there are not enough applicants the first time through we may employ a rolling admissions policy later in spring semester to boost numbers.
- c) Entitlement to Plan for MSAT has been approved. Summer 2021 implementation is the goal.
- d) Physical Activity for Diverse Abilities certificate has been approved by UAPC and will begin implementation in Fall 2019.
- e) HPHE has final vote before the Board of Regents on February 8. Plans for rollout are in process.
- f) McKenzie Miller has been named "Major of the Year" by the PE program and will attend the SHAPE national convention. On February 8, PE students will work with RecSports to facilitate Day of Play for up to 100 children from the area.
- g) Two AT students attended a recent conference thanks to the generosity of some of the female tenured faculty. AT students for Brain Safety will be attending Saturday Science Day and will also have a booth at the Dane County Night @ Children's Museum later in February.

## **New Business**

a) Course change proposals for Kines 150, 370 and 566 are adding liberal arts and sciences attributes to the three Kinesiology core curriculum courses for the HPHE degree. L&S students can double major in HPHE, but can only take a certain number of non-L&S courses and still graduate. These proposals were requested and initiated by Carolyn Kelley @ SoE. No changes to syllabus at this

- time. Kevin Strang suggested a few minor edits. This attribute may be added to the remainder of the HPHE kinesiology electives in the future. Motion to approve with minor changes (J. Branchaw)/seconded (A. Winterstein) passed unanimously.
- b) Discussion of AEFIS Course Evaluations Kevin Strang explained he has been watching the literature and it is trending away from popularity-based evaluations toward comments about actual learning in the classroom. The current nested format invites comparison between instructors. Questions are redundant. Janet Branchaw indicated the surveys do not provide valuable feedback about how to improve classes, which is of great use to assistant professors pursuing tenure. Andy Winterstein noted it can be difficult to differentiate between lead vs. secondary instructor. Assistant Professors are encouraged to get peer reviews every semester to supplement course evaluations. OT uses their own survey. Agreed to form a sub-committee to be chaired by Kevin Strang and include members of both graduate and undergraduate committees to explore this further. Cindy Kuhrasch and Janet Branchaw volunteered to be on the sub-committee.
- c) Discussion of Undergraduate Kinesiology Major Two-to-Four Year Packages Janet Branchaw presented information on a program through WIScience that focuses on undergraduate STEM education. The goal is to create better transfer pathways into UW 4 years from within the UW system and Wisconsin technical colleges system. The program offers professional development for advisors and others who work with transfer students. The student portion is focused on building a four-year experience for transfer students. Would like to work with Kinesiology since it is a program that requires an application, unlike chemistry which is already working to develop these pathways and does not require a separate application. Students who take all the required courses in the pathway and maintain a certain GPA would be guaranteed admission to a UW four-year program. This would allow better planning for transfer students. However, we need data to see how our transfer students are performing. Some discussion regarding Anatomy & Physiology and whether or not transfer courses are equivalent. Morgan Shields is already having conversations with MATC about how we can implement this. Further discussion will be needed.

Meeting adjourned at approximately 3:00pm.