**CAAC Meeting Minutes**

**September 22, 2020**

**Voting Representatives Present (via Zoom):**  Laura Hollengreen, John Koshel, Linda Denno, Kim Jones, Maggie Pitts, Rich Vaillancourt, John Ehiri, Rebecca Gomez, Holly Bender, John Pollard, Elizabeth Fehsenfeld, Terri Warholak, Jim Baygents, Jim Hunt, Iliana Reyes, Deanna Fitzgerald, Chris Tisch, Pam Perry, Chrissy Lieberman, Pamela Reed (late), Rachael Ronald (for Amy Kimme Hea)(late)

**Additional Representatives Present:** Greg Heileman, Stephanie Carlson, Liz Sandoval, Alex Underwood, Cynthia Demetriou,

**Absent (without proxy):**  Keith Swisher

1. **Call to Order-** Chair, John Koshel called the meeting to order at 11:03 AM.
2. **Approval of August 25, 2020 Meeting Minutes**Minutes were uploaded late, will approve later.
3. **Academic Program Proposals, Policies, and Procedures**
   1. Graduate Certificate in Gender-Based Violence (Bill Simmons; SBS; new)  
        
      Motion made to approve, motion was seconded and approved.
   2. Graduate Certificate in Human Rights and Documentary Media (Bill Simmons; SBS; new)   
        
      Motion was made to approve, motion was seconded and approved.
   3. Graduate Certificate in One Health (Kelly Reynolds, Aminata Kilungo; Public Health; new)

Received support from the Provost for this certificate. Aligns well with the university’s strategic initiative which is to expand the research focus and have been in discussions on how to merge work done in various departments. Anticipate their target population will be already enrolled graduate students. The online format will enable global interest and participation. There are few competitors, and most are not online nor centered in a Public Health college.

There was a motion to approve, motion was seconded and approved.

* 1. UG Minor in Climate Change and Society (John Koprowski Don Falk, Katie Hughes; CALS; new)

This is a topic that applies to all. Climate related jobs are already among the fastest growing employment sectors in the world. The UA is already a global leader in climate research and will advance multiple parts of the strategic plan. Involves collaboration and has broad support campus wide.

There was a motion to approve, motion was seconded and approved.

* 1. UG Minor in Real Estate (Lauri Johnson, Laura Jensen, James Marian; CAPLA; new)

Students in the UA Commercial Real Estate Club were excited and showed a high interest in the minor. Several courses are in high demand from non-CAPLA undergraduate students. When paired with other programs students can leverage what is offered in the minor along with courses in their field of study to be more competitive. Fifteen different companies were willing to write letters of support. The electives are great options to offer an edge on the market. The only new class was RED 301 and it was approved earlier this year.

Motion was made to approve, motion was seconded and approved.

* 1. UG Certificate in Accounting (Katie Maxwell, Stanley Reynolds; Eller; new)

There are 15 required units; 9 upper division units that students would take over the summer. This certificate would enable students to meet the prerequisites for the Masters in Accounting. Within the Eller College, there are six other majors. Students who have shown interest in this certificate are in Finance and Marketing. The courses already exist so there are no additional investments having to be made.

There was a motion to approve, motion was seconded and approved.

* 1. UG Certificate in Digital Forensics (Jason Denno; CAST; new)

The current Cyber Operations BAS program has two Digital Forensics courses in it. These courses are to bring further detail to the program and to give them more options. Already have a high demand in their other certificates. Graduates from these programs are earning high incomes. The CYBV 301 course was specifically designed to take in students who had no previous experience to lead them into these types of high technically fields. They have had three years of experience doing this transition. When the program started in 2016, it was very popular, so they had to develop a strategy to get students who were coming in without the prerequisites or skill sets up to speed to succeed in the program. It is an 18-unit certificate because of the entry level classes. Already have the resources and do not need to hire any new faculty. The college wanted to ensure that non degree seeking students could also pursue the certificate.

A motion was made to approve, motion was seconded and approved.

* 1. UG Certificate in Organizational Leadership (Eric Mapp, Romi Whitman; CAST; new)

The BAS has been around for fifteen years. There are no new courses or other new resources required. Military students have specifically reached out for this type of certificate. It is a fifteen-unit certificate. Offered specifically ONLN.

A motion was made to approve, motion was seconded and approved.

1. **Open Discussion** 
   1. Pam Perry. There was support for the idea. Cynthia Demetriou talked about rubber stamping in reviewing proposals and that there is a misperception of what CAAC does. She sees this group as an important step in getting anything new done on campus. Greg shared that this is what Liesl was hoping would do; it is an important group to the nuts and bolts of how the University operates. John is challenging everyone to bring these ideas forward to then bring people in to talk with them. Alex is also looking forward to more collaborative discussions. Jim iterated that the group did well in deciding the grading issue and centralizing forms last semester.
   2. Spring 2021. Greg shared that Liesl is trying to come to a quick decision about what to do about spring break. There are significant issues with changing the beginning and end dates to a semester. Liesl wants to have more reading days rather than having a consolidated break so that students are not going and coming back. There have been many ideas tossed around and Kim Jones raised the issue of making sure we get feedback from student groups as well. John Pollard shared that the proposed idea will be very disruptive to many different colleges because spring break is used in creative ways. There will also have to be certain rules for these days. Pam was disappointed in that there were three choices but only one will work. Chrissy Lieberman says student behavior will be student behavior. She does not believe there is a win here, she believes that most college students are a repressed group and it can be compared to the roaring 20s at this point. Our student population is holding back local schools as well. Cynthia shared that we have data on testing results but no analysis of what the tipping point is for our University.
   3. Rachael Reynold will be sitting in for Amy Kimme Hea for the next four weeks so Amy can take her furlough days and finish her book!
2. **Meeting Adjournment**Meeting adjourned at 1:00 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted by Liz Sandoval*