

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE

TRANSFER OF CREDIT COMMITTEE
Summary Notes #51, Thursday, 15 March 2018
2 to 3 p.m., Room 205, Bernhard Center

Members Attending: David Burnie, Linda Dove, Nick Gauthier, Kelley Pattison, David Reinhold, Mindy Swickrath, Justine Foster (for Gail Rouscher), and Bret Wagner

Members Absent: Billy Clayton, Kathryn Hillenbrand, Kirk Korista, Mark Liermann, Steve Miller, and Juan Tavares

Advisory Member Attending: Kerrie Harvey

Staff: Tonya Dean

Committee Chair David Reinhold called the meeting to order at 2 p.m.

Procedural Items

1. Welcome and Introductions of New Members
2. Acceptance of Agenda
3. Approval of Minutes of January 11, 2018
4. Chair's Remarks

Discussion/Information Items

1. Definitions of Transfer Credit Options
2. Transfer Credits from Study Abroad

Other

Adjournment

1. *Acceptance of Agenda:*
Gauthier moved to accept the agenda and Dove seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. *Approval of the summary notes #50 of 11 January 2018*
Burnie moved to approve the summary notes #50 of 11 January 2018 and Gauthier seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. *Chair Remarks:*
Reinhold shared the report form template from the Faculty Senate for making changes and sending things forward. At the meeting in January, the committee voted to change the number of credit hours required for consideration of graduating with honors from 50 to 30. Reinhold thought this was going to be an easy change, but after reviewing the policy, the paragraph which we reviewed does not match. Reinhold contacted the Registrar's Office about the proposed change. The Registrar's Office suggested the following language:

Registrar's Office proposed paragraph:

The commencement program will list as candidates for honors, all students who have earned a grade point average of 3.50 and are registered for 30 hours of

graded WMU credit by the end of the first week of their final semester. Final determination of honors and level of awards will be based upon all work and will appear on the final transcript and diploma.

The committee reviewed the hours and discussed the changes. Burnie suggested getting clarification on "30 hours of graded WMU credit". Burnie made a motion to approve the Registrar's Office paragraph upon clarification and Wagner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Reinhold contacted the Lee Honors College about the proposed change and it was fine with the change. He will make the clarification and send it to the Undergraduate Studies Council.

Discussion Item:

1. *Definitions of Transfer Credit Options*
Reinhold handed out

Next Actions:

- a) Reinhold will get clarification on “30 hours of graded WMU credit” in the Registrar’s Office paragraph.
- b) Reinhold will contact Juan Tavares or Jane Blyth about the transfer credits from study abroad.

Adjournment