

Minutes of Essential Studies Committee August 21, 2017

- I. A meeting of the Essential Studies Committee was held on August 21, 2017 in Carnegie Hall, Rm 102. Brad Reissig presided.
In attendance: Ken Flanagan, Chuck Miller, Dave Yearwood, Mark Jendrysik, Brooke Solberg, Alena Kubatova, Clement Tang, Steven LeMire, Michael Dodge, Wendelin Hume, Heather Terrell, Karyn Plumm, Joan Hawthorne, Ryan Zerr, Scott Correll, Christina Fargo, Carla Spokely
- II. Ryan Zerr moved to approve the minutes from the May 9, 2017 meeting. The motion was seconded, voted upon and carried (new members abstained).
- III. Director's Report
 - 23 petition inquiries were sent to the ES Office during the summer
 - Of those 23, 13 were formal petitions that were acted on by the petition committee
 - 93 total revalidations were distributed to departments for the October 1 deadline (Honors will not be revalidating courses)
 - Essential Studies Minor proposal will move forward for the Deans to consider
 - ES web page was updated to emphasize the Goals of Essential Studies
 - Critical Inquiry & Analysis scoring session will be held in December, ESC members encouraged to volunteer to score student work
- IV. Ryan Zerr moved to form a subcommittee to identify and examine relevant issues to determine the timeline for implementing the new Special Emphasis requirements. The subcommittee will bring their recommendations to the next ESC meeting.
- V. Scott Correll and Christina Fargo answered questions about the articulation agreement between UND College of Engineering & Mines and Concordia College. ESC members will review the agreement and follow-up at Sept 8 meeting.
- VI. ESC members discussed which rubrics should be used for Essential Studies assessment, UND rubrics or AAC&U rubrics. The CLA+ aligns with the AAC&U rubrics.
- VII. Meeting schedule for Fall semester will be sent out by Carla Spokely based on Doodle results.

The meeting adjourned at 11:50 a.m.