MINUTES OF THE SERVICE-LEARNING SUBCOMMITTEE

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Members Present: R. Toro, B. Boone, V. Luo, B. Singh, P. Xu, A. Gallo, Z. Bagdasarov, X. Fu, B. Hays, C. Fiorentino,

 M. Jendian

Members Absent: S. Hart, L. Toste

The meeting was called to order by Rosa Toro, Chair, at 1:38 pm.

1. New members Pei Xu (Jordan College of Ag) and Alex Gallo (student) were introduced and welcomed to the subcommittee.
2. It was moved, seconded and approved (MSC) to approve the meeting agenda.
3. Chris provided an update on Five-Year S Course Evaluations:

We are awaiting a response from Brad Hyatt and Vivien Luo regarding CM 180AS. Vivien will be meeting with Brad Hyatt to discuss the revised syllabus that is needed.

Requested to changes were made and submitted regarding CLAS 172S. The course was approved for recertification on 5/18/16.

1. The requested changes to the newly proposed INTD 188S were received. MSC to approve the course for S designation. The course is currently under review by the GE Subcommittee and will then be considered by the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee. Xuanning Fu shared some general challenges with respect to INTD courses and will discuss the issue with Dr. Martin Shapiro, who submitted the INTD 188S course for consideration.

MSC to approve the revised Fresno State definition of “Service-Learning” as follows:

*Service-learning is a method to enhance students’ learning and foster civic understanding through active participation in meaningful service linked to academic study through structured reflection. The service may include improvement of community resources, direct service to people in need, applied research, community outreach and education, or policy analysis and advocacy. The academic study may be in any discipline or combination of fields.*

1. Chris provided an update on Five Year S Course Reviews due this semester. The courses up for review are: Physics 168S, Spanish 115S, Social Work 161S.

Chris will work with SL Subcommittee Chair Rosa Toro to finalize the letters and send them to the appropriate Department Chairs and/or faculty members who teach the courses. The SL Subcommittee members who are charged with reviewing those course materials will be cc’d on those letters.

Remaining SL Subcommittee meetings for Fall 2016 will be held on the following Fridays. All meetings will be held from 1:30-2:30pm, in Thomas 117:

 October 7th

 November 4th

 December 2nd

Chris shared brief updates regarding the following:

* Service-Learning Faculty Development grants and the current Request for Proposals (RFP). Chris will send a copy of the RFP to all subcommittee member.
* The Faculty Learning Community on SL Reflection Modules currently being formed and led by Professor Kim Morin.
* New S designation course proposals anticipated this semester, including ones from English, Kinesiology, LEBSE, and Earth and Environmental Studies. Teams from each of these departments attended a week-long Service-Learning Course Redesign Intensive, led by Dr. Benjamin Boone and Chris Fiorentino in May 2016.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:15pm.

Minutes respectfully submitted by Chris Fiorentino, September 11, 2016.