

## Academic Program Review Council

August 30, 2018

Membership: Pamela Bustos; Laura Jacobs (Convener); Bhesh Mainali; Mimi Rappley-Larson; Daniel Rust

### Updates:

Mimi – The Policy Committee on defining ‘consultation and advisement’ as relates to changes to WI Chapter 36, which covers the governing of the UW System.

We met yesterday to update the committee after the recent budget report. The budget report makes it clear that it is likely that the governing bodies of our campus must be prepared to assert our role if additional restructuring of the curriculum and cuts are required. We should be prepared to focus on viability and strengths as well as effectiveness and size of any given program. Planning & Budgetary Council is working on a rubric to ‘grade’ programs each year, and APRC should be prepared to consider that grade in our own work during program reviews. What has ‘a given program’s] grade history been since its last review? What does ‘warning’ mean, and how does a program move off that list?

1. New member welcome and orientation. APRC welcomed Bhesh Mainali to the Council and gave a general outline of our work and schedule.
2. Election of Chair and Secretary for AY 2018-19. Laura Jacobs was elected unanimously to continue as Chair of the Council for 2018-19. Given the size of the Council, rather than select a single secretary, it was decided we will rotate through the membership to record our notes and any action items that need to be reported.
3. Review of APRC By-Laws; Summer Meeting on Governance and relationship to Planning Review Council. Reviewed the changes to the by-laws approved and accepted by Faculty Senate last May. Initiated discussion of potential changes to our ‘template’ in light of the Governance meeting held in July.
4. Review 2017 revised APR template. Due to time constraints, we will familiarize ourselves with the prompts for current program reviews and begin consideration of what changes may be required for future reviews.
5. Academic departments / Schedule of program review
  - a. CommArts. Overdue. Was to submit 2017-18; extension granted
  - b. HHP. Overdue. Was to submit 2017-18; change of chair did not communicate report due (New chair did not request extension although advised to do so)
  - c. Social Inquiry. Due 2018-19
  - d. Natural Sciences. Due 2018-19
  - e. EdL. Pending notification 2019-20
  - f. SBE. Pending notification 2019-20

Chair will send an email to the currently due program/departments, copying Faculty Executive. A second email advisement will be sent to the departments who will be under review in 2019-20, so that they may begin preparing their review.

