

Curriculum Committee Meeting

MINUTES

November 23, 2021

7:30-9 PM via Zoom online video meeting

Present: Julie Wood, Chair; Kelly Shanks, Maureen Pendras, Chris Payne, Taryn Beard, April Crofut, Kimberly McKittrick. Absent: Scot Gibson

1. Chris Payne was welcomed as a new committee member and interim chair for iCAPP.
2. Review October minutes – Motion to Approve with edits to 7 and 6f - Passed
3. Syllabi were reviewed for winter trimester. Julie expressed hesitation about asking instructors to make changes due to the timing of class beginning next week. Since Cara was unable to attend, instructor will get general feedback from the person listed below.
 - a. Middle Phase w/Kathy Weissbourd – Kelly fill follow up
 - b. HD Middle childhood w/Ashley Harmon – Julie will follow up
 - c. Aging w/Piyale and Rebecca – Julie will follow up
 - d. Elective w/John C, Melissa S, Matt B – Kimberly will follow up
 - e. Child Analysis w/Kelly and Don – Julie will follow up
 - f. CA proposal for case conference symposium – April – Motion to approved change of symposium - Passed
4. Planning 2021-2022
 - a. Child: course format deferred to next meeting.
 - b. No further discussion of in person learning beyond strong desire expressed by CA's to return to in person.
5. Request from Minnesota to accommodate 2 CA's remotely for years 3 and 4 – CA feedback noted that it would be too difficult to integrate to new students when they have barely had a chance to meet as a cohort due to the pandemic. Additionally, the loss of 3 CA's was noted and the idea of preserving "cohort integrity" was discussed. Faculty and CA's noted that it seemed awkward for one institute to do the teaching and inherent evaluation yet not be part of progression. Julie will follow up with Chris K and convey that the committee would not support including 2 remote CA's from another institute.
6. iCAPP – Chris conveyed the state of the program as one in need of a thorough review, restructuring, and needing better integration in the overall SPSI mission. There was enthusiasm from the committee for supporting iCAPP. Immediate needs: Instructor for 4th Block April 4- May 23 for Adult Development and Loss, Mourning and Termination.
7. Planning 2022-2023

- a. Infant Observation – Kelly and Judy believe that it is unethical to ask families with newborns to let a stranger into the home for observation during a pandemic. Alternatives could be eliminating infant observation from the program or deferring to year 4. More ideas need to be generated. CA's expressed hope for being able to do infant observation. The committee will continue the discussion next meeting.
8. CA Feedback on teaching format in Zoom - deferred
9. Curriculum retreat proposal – Julie reported idea about a spring retreat to look at structure of courses and big picture review of curriculum.
10. Meeting adjourned at 9:05

Next Meetings 2021-2022: Jan 25, Feb 22, Mar 22, Apr 26, May 24

Committee Roles:

Scot Gibson – Calendar, work flow and faculty letters

Julie Wood – Agendas and minutes, Child Co-chair

Maureen Pendas – TA Committee, case conference letters

Kelly Shanks Lippman – Course evaluations, Diversity Chair

Taryn Beard – 2nd Year CA, April Crofut, 2nd Year CA

Kimberly McKittrick – 4th Year CA