ATLANTIC CAPE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE

January 18, 2018

Minutes – *approved*

Attendance: M. Bolicki, L. Campbell, , B. Clark, M. Kammer, L. Lemons, P. Manns, L. McGlynn, A. Nigro, W. Osler, A. Polanco, E. Russell, J. Taggart, D. Vassallo, K. Zaniewski. Excused: A. Chelius (*teaching*), B. Johns (*teaching*), H. Peterson.

I. Approval of December minutes – The minutes were approved as submitted.

II. Curriculum Proposals

No Curriculum proposals were received. This is the first regularly scheduled Curriculum meeting in January. The submission deadline was 1/5, which was prior to the start of the semester. The Committee may want to consider changing the deadline to late December, prior to the winter break.

III. Other Business

Computer Literacy Subcommittee - L. Lemons

L. Lemons asked for a volunteer to replace J. Katz on the Subcommittee. A. Nigro will contact J. Katz to confirm the charge parameters prior to scheduling a meeting of subcommittee.

The Committee discussed the recent statewide addition of computer literacy to the K-12 requirements and how the change might impact community colleges in the future.

- Will computer literacy still be necessary at the college-level if students are required to take it in high school?
- K-12 curriculum changes begin with incoming Kindergarten classes. It could take 12 years to impact colleges.
- Which high schools have Atlantic Cape dual enrollment agreements for CISM125?

Honors Program

E. Russell reported that enrollment is up for Honors sections. Three sections are running with full enrollment. Some of our honors students have transferred to prestigious colleges and universities. The G-Bldg. Honors Lounge will include the addition of transfer college pennants on the walls.

Liberal Arts, A.A.

The degree changes will go into effect Fall 2018. Departments should review program Options to ensure that they are in compliance with the Presidents' Council guidelines (Options cannot differ by more than 18 credits from the base degree program). Current Options include:

- Child Development/Child Care
- Elementary/Middle School Education
- English

- Secondary Education
- Performing Arts
- Social Science
- Sociology

Foreign Language requirement - The revised Liberal Arts degree will include a sequence of 2 foreign language courses (SPAN, ITAL, or FREN) under the Humanities general education category. It was suggested that students might be interested in additional world languages such as Chinese/Mandarin, Russian, German, etc. Could a special topics course be developed? Gen. Ed. approval would be difficult for a special topics course.

There was a questions about the need for a General Studies, AS degree since we have a Liberal Arts, AA degree. M. Kammer mentioned that his department recently conducted a Program Review of the General Studies, A.S. degree, and the program is needed. The degree is housed under ESL/Modern Languages, but involves four different departments. He offered to brief the Curric. Committee with a summary of the program review at a future meeting.

Vice-Chair

E. Russell agreed to serve as vice chair for the spring. L. Lemons, formerly vice-chair, is now serving as chair for the spring semester.