

## **Academic Affairs Committee—March 13, 2018**

Note: this “meeting” was conducted via email.

Present (electronically speaking): Sandy Maisel, Steve Saunders, Loren McClenahan, Katie Donahue, Dale Kocevski, Beth Schiller, Sam Scott, Jacob Adner, Russ Johnson, Jim Sloat

I. The minutes from the March 6, 2018 meeting were approved.

II. Consent agenda: two course proposals were approved

A. Art 376? (Chinese Visual Culture)

B. Psychology 352x (Seminar: Neuroscience of Addiction)

III. Requirements for the Managerial Economics minor

The Economics Department proposes to modify the requirements for the Managerial Economics minor to make *EC221: Managerial Economics* no longer a requirement for the major but an optional elective. Thus, the managerial economics minor would require two EC2xx electives, one of which could be EC221.

Russ reported to the committee his recent conversation with Michael Donihue (Economics chair). The department feels that the major will meet their goals better than before by having this added flexibility. They really think of the major as one in "Applied Economics" and believe it will serve students better if students have the flexibility to choose the Economics courses that will be most applicable to their interests.

The proposed changes to the Managerial Economics minor were approved.