WAUBONSEE COMMUNITY COLLEGE

Curriculum Council
Minutes
Thursday, October 22, 2026

Voting Members Present:
Divya Ajinth, David Barreto, Colleen Budziak, Adam Burke, Dr. Kimberly Chavis, Robert Cofield, Mark Crawford, Sharon Garcia, Diana Garcia-Padilla, Dr. Rosianna Gray, Lisa Giese, Elior Iseli, Amber Keare, Dr. Akaki Luhahi, Joshua Mattern, Dr. Jeanine McMillen, Donna Mikrut, Jessica Moreno, Tim Moriarty, Patricia Saccone, Dr. Reshmi Sen, Jo Lynn Theobald

Voting Members Absent:
Dr. David Deeds, Todd Laufenberg, Jon Nichols, Dr. Scott Peska, Renee Skrabacz, Dr. Tamekia Smith, Ne'Keisha Stepney

Ex-Officio Members Present:
Kristine Cesario-Price, Marc Dale, Mary Greenwood, Sarah Kocunik, Terry Lyons, Kaley Oplt, Sharon Rainbolt, Dr. Lisa Richardson,

Ex-Officio Members Absent:
Laura Cronan, Dr. Stacey Randall, Jo Sobieraj

Faculty Presenters
Dr. Heather LaCost, Professor of Psychology *for Lisa Fozio-Thielk*
Dr. Tim Moriarty, Associate Professor of Information Systems
Donna Mikrut, Instructor of Manufacturing Technology

Provost and Vice President of Teaching, Learning, and Student Success
Dr. Kimberly Chavis

Chavis called the meeting to order at 2:32 p.m.

Academic Support
Dean: Jessica Moreno

No Submissions

Arts and Humanities
Interim Dean: Dr. Jeanine McMillen

Theater: Originator – Todd Laufenberg; Presenter – Dr. Jeanine McMillen

Minor Course Revision:
Rationale: Due to lack of resources, IAI status has been terminated.

THE 110 The Art of Oral Interpretation
3 lec/0 lab 3.0 semester hours

Summary of Changes: Removal of TA 916 IAI status code.

DECISION for THE 110:
McMillen presented a change to Theater 110 to formally remove an IAI major code.

A vote was called and passed. This minor course revision will be **effective Spring 2027**.

Business and Social Science
Dean: Dr. Tamekia Smith

Psychology: Originator – Lisa Fozio-Thielk; Presenter – Dr. Heather LaCost

NEW Course:
Rationale: This course is being presented to provide an option for students who would like to learn about both child and adolescent psychology but do not have the time or space in their schedule to take separate Child and Adolescence Psychology courses. For example, teachers who will become certified to teach K-12 may want to take this combined course, as may other students interested in understanding children and adolescents who want a single course for their schedules.

PSY 225 Childhood and Adolescent Psychology
3 lec/0 lab 3.0 semester hours

Summary of Changes: New course proposed as an additional psychology elective.

DECISION for PSY 225:
LaCost explained the course was designed for education and nursing majors who needed a more flexible schedule. It was developed in response to student needs. Dale raised concerns about the timing of the course's effective date and how it would affect student advising before IAI approval. There was a discussion regarding how courses can still be offered even though not IAI approved.

A vote was called and passed. This new course will be **effective Summer 2027**. Cesario-Price will submit the new combined childhood and adolescent psychology course to IAI for the March 1 submission deadline. In the meantime, Form 13s will be sent to the Big 7 schools to request transferability.

Computer Information Systems: Originator & Presenter – Tim Moriarty

Major Course Revision:
Rationale: Updates made to better align with IAI CS1.

CIS 115 ~~Introduction to~~ Computer Science I: Python Programming
3 lec/0 lab 3.0 semester hours ***TO*** **2 lec/2 lab** 3.0 semester hours

Summary of Changes: Revisions made to title, lecture/lab hours, course description, course objectives, course outcomes, assessment of student learning, and course topics, as well as the removal of recommended coreq. Preparations made for IAI

submittal; seeking CS 911 status.

DECISION for CIS 115:
Moriarty cited trends in computer science and engineering programs.

A vote was called and passed. This major course revision will be **effective Summer 2027**. Cesario-Price will submit revised course to IAI by the March 1 deadline.

Minor Course Revision:
Rationale: Update made for better alignment with IAI CS1 status.

CIS 130 Computer Science I: C++ Programming
2 lec/2 lab 3.0 semester hours

Summary of Changes: Removal of recommended prereq.

Minor Course Revision:
Rationale: Update made for better alignment with IAI CS1 status.

CIS 150 Computer Science I: Java Programming
2 lec/2 lab 3.0 semester hours

Summary of Changes: Removal of recommended prereq.

DECISION for CIS 130 and CIS 150:
A vote was called and passed. These minor course revisions will be **effective Spring 2027**.

Mathematics and Science
Interim Dean: Dr. David Deeds

No Submissions

Industry and Technology
Dean: Renee Skrabacz

Machine Tool Technology: Originator & Presenter – Donna Mikrut

Minor Course Revision:
Rationale: The revisions reflect current instructional practices and provide students with a broader introduction to machining and related manufacturing careers. The updated objectives and outcomes clarify foundational skills in safety, measurement, blueprint reading, benchwork, technical references, and manual milling while introducing CAD, CAM, and additive manufacturing concepts. These changes maintain the course's introductory focus and existing credit hours.

MTT 108 Machining Fundamentals
2 lec/2 lab 3.0 semester hours

Summary of Changes: Revisions to course description, course objectives, course

outcomes, assessment of student learning, and course topics.

DECISION for MTT 108:
Mikrut presented revisions to MTT 108 to reflect current instructional practices and add CAD/CAM and additive manufacturing.

A vote was called and passed. These minor course revisions will be **effective Fall 2027**.

Welding – Donna Mikrut on behalf of Dennis Hood

Minor Course Revision:
Rationale: Revising the enforced prerequisite language will clarify the prerequisite requirements and make the sequencing requirements easier for students to understand.

WLD 200 Fabrication and Weld Design
2 lec/2 lab 3.0 semester hours

Effective date: Spring 2027

Summary of Changes: Update made to enforced prereq language.

DECISION for WLD 200:
Mikrut presented the change to the enforced prereq language.

A vote was called and passed. This minor course revision will be **effective Spring 2027**.

Health Professions and Public Service
Dean: Bob Cofield

No Submissions

Meeting Adjourned:
With no further agenda items, Chavis moved to end the meeting at 3:22 p.m. Hearing no objections, the meeting was adjourned. The next meeting of the Curriculum Council will be held on November 12th at 2:30 p.m. via Zoom.