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NEAG SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Curricula & Courses Committee

To: C&C Committee Members

From: Adam McCready, Chair

Date: September 15, 2026

Re: Minutes of the Curricula & Courses Committee Meeting held September 15, 2026

In attendance: Liz Howard, John Settlage, Alex Freidus, Adam McCready, Joe Madaus, Ann Traynor, Laura Burton and Diane Herlihy

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1) Approval of April 2026 meeting minutes
   - *Adam began the meeting at 10:03am. Liz made a motion to approve the April 2026 minutes, Alex seconded, and five voted in favor (5-0) with Joe abstaining as he was not at that meeting.*

2) New Courses
   a) EPSY 2000 and 2000W: Careers in Mental Health: School, Healthcare, and Community Settings

   Explanation: This course is intended to teach undergraduate students, who are interested in careers in mental health, about professional practice in the field. This course will present a diverse array of settings where service providers may practice including schools, healthcare, and other organizations. It will provide students with the opportunity to reflect upon various career paths and training opportunities.

   Proposed Catalog Copy:
   This course covers the general landscape of professional practice in the field of mental health. It provides students with the opportunity to reflect upon various career paths and training opportunities. This course will present a diverse array of settings where service providers may practice including schools, healthcare, and other organizations. Further included, with a focus on forward movement in the mental health arena, students will examine mental health approaches that offer an integrative framework. Additional relevant content will be covered in relation to each of the various career paths in mental health across multiple settings. This course offers students an opportunity to consider their professional track and formulate and refine their goals. In order to do so, this course includes how to access professional, interpersonal, technological, academic, experiential resources, and learning opportunities.

   - *Adam reviewed the new course proposal above. After a brief discussion, Liz made a motion to approve this course, Joe seconded, and all voted in favor (6-0).*

   APPROVAL BY DEPARTMENT: May 21, 2026
   APPROVAL BY DEPT. HEADS: May 21, 2026
   APPROVAL BY C&C COMMITTEE: September 15, 2026
   APPROVAL BY NEAG FACULTY: September 23, 2026

- *Adam discussed the need to appoint a Vice Chair and asked the group if they preferred a 1-year appointment or a 2-year appointment. Liz made a motion to appoint the Vice Chair for a 1-year term, Alex seconded and all voted in favor (6-0).*
- *Adam then asked for a motion to nominate someone for vice chair. Alex self-nominated and all voted in favor of Alex serving as C&C Vice Chair for the AY 2026/27.*
- *Joe made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Liz seconded and the meeting adjourned at 10:17am.*