Faculty Senate Academic Affairs Council

March 8, 2011
12 Noon - 12:50 p.m.
Minutes

1) Attendance: Robert A. Martin, CALS; Dave Holger, EVPP; Greg Luecke, ME; Michael Clough, CHS C&I; Brad Dell, LAS; Suzanne Hendrich, FSHNH, Chair; Paul Anderson, Design; Ann Marie Van Der Zanden, FSCC; Lee Burras, ASA.

2) It was moved and seconded to approve the minutes of February 8, 2011. Motion passed.

3) There was a concern raised regarding the proposed Post-Baccalaureate in Studio Arts. This is a proposed undergraduate certificate. According to the Faculty Handbook, these types of programs are allowed, however the concern boiled down to the title. Is "Post Baccalaureate" the most appropriate title? What are the advantages of this title? Suzanne will contact the department regarding this concern.

4) It was moved and seconded to approve the request to implement a Bachelor of Design program. Everything seemed to be in order for approval of this program, however, we need written documentation of approval. The proposal refers to documentation but written documentation was not included as an attachment to the proposal. Suzanne will inquire about getting written confirmation for approval of this program. Motion passed.

5) There has been a concern regarding procedures followed in approving the Sustainability Minor. Design and LAS have approved the minor, however, there is no record of there being a faculty vote to approve this minor. This concern is not directed to the minor, but instead on the procedures followed relative to the "faculty vote" issue. It was decided that when this program proposal is presented to the Senate for approval a brief explanation will be given to determine if this is an issue the Senate wants to pursue.

6) Lee Burras did not have a report from the Academic Standards & Admissions Committee.

7) Ann Marie Van Der Zander did not have a report from the FSCC.

8) It was moved and seconded to approve the name change "Athletic Coaching Minor." According to the Handbook, name changes must be approved by the Faculty Senate. Motion passed. The proposal moves on to the Senate.

9) There is a concern regarding narrative in the Handbook and narrative at the Provost website for example, the Program Discontinuance Procedure. The Handbook is typically stating "Policy" and the Provost website states "procedures." There seems to be a mixture of both in this case. The AAC decided to propose a "fix" by providing an "electronic link" to a site that explains the procedures, etc. Suzanne Hendrich will investigate this further.

10) The meeting was adjourned at 12:50 p.m. The next meeting of the ACC will be Tuesday, March 22, 2011 at 12:00 Noon in 107 Lab of Mechanics.

Respectfully submitted
Robert Martin