Minutes for December 14 (311 Enrollment Services Center)

Theme: One university having clear expectations for all students

Committee members attending
Robert Bergmann (IR), Terri Boylston (HSc), Phil Caffrey (Adm), Jonathon Compton (Reg)
Laura Doering (Registrar & Student Affairs), Jesse Goff (VET), Mike Retallick (ALS), Bill Dilla (BUS), Dan Voss (GSB), Karen Zunkel (Provost Office), Lee Burras (chair)

Minutes

Prof. Burras called the meeting to order at 4:12 pm.

1. Prof. Goff moved and Prof. Retallick seconded approval of the October 19 minutes. Motion passed unanimously.

2. There was no Old Business.

3. New Business
   a. Prof. Boylston presented a petition by Early Childhood Education to require their students earn a C- or higher in Math 195 and Math 196. Prof. Retallick and Prof. Boylston explained this is consistent with Iowa licensure requirements in Education. Registrar Doering asked for clarification regarding articulation agreements. Considerable discussion occurred regarding exceptions and “grandfathering” options. Prof. Retallick moved and Prof. Dilla seconded approval of this proposal. Motion passed with three in favor, zero opposed and one abstention.

4. Items related to our mission and the Academic Council
   Prof. Burras reported:
   a. Lib 160 is remaining 0.5 cr. for the 2011-2012 catalog and then increasing to 1 cr. in subsequent catalogs. Mr. Voss asked if the class is changing in content. Registrar Doering and Prof. Burras explained Library has already updated the course such that the change in credit and name (Information Literacy) are meant to allow everything to align appropriately.
   b. The Academic Council will likely create a Faculty Senate Outcomes Assessment Committee.
   c. The Academic Council, the Provost Office and the Registrar are quasi-independently seeking to streamline approval processes. Dr. Zunkel and Registrar Doering are especially involved.

Prof. Burras asked if this committee had any oversight with regards to Honors, which recently raised their GPA requirement to 3.50. Dr. Zunkel and others noted Honors has their own faculty committee and given that Honors membership is voluntary then its expectations are not an academic standards issue. Prof. Burras asked if any college representatives had any concerns about the new GPA. No one did.

Registrar Doering and Mr. Compton presented a report on:
   d. Dismissal trends by college and classification,
e. Reinstatement trends by college, and,
   This led to considerable discussion and additional statistical insights by Mr. Bergman and Mr. Caffrey. Mr. Compton agreed to provide a more detailed report at our February meeting.

5. Prof. Burras adjourned the meeting at about 5:00 p.m., noting he will send out a calendar request in order to identify Spring 2011 meeting times. He should have thanked the committee for its work throughout 2010…but he forgot to.