Academic Policy Council Minutes

December 17, 2015 101A Bryan Hall (Dean's Conference Room) 2 p.m.

Attendees

Beverly Sanders, Susan Semple-Rowland, Craig Tapley, Sue Alvers, Nicole Stedman, Susan Schaffer, Angel Kwolek-Folland, Alison Reynolds, David Miller, Paul Duncan and Steve Pritz

Call to Order

Beverly Sanders, Chair, called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m. After introductions, the October minutes were approved with corrections.

Course Approval Process

- Course approval process is still undergoing revision. Dr. Lindner asked the council to please give some extra time before discussion.
- Paul Duncan noted that the graduate process hasn't changed.
- Hans van Oostrom mentioned that the item does not have to go back to the department. The submitter can revise the material and post.

T/TH Class Meetings – Steve Pritz, Registrar

- Steve Pritz distributed a summary of the survey replies he received from the AAU list serve. He noted that the responses he received showed that the other institutions were aligned with a different pattern on T/TH than MWF.
- Angel Kwolek-Folland pointed out that UF is different due to having 2 hrs on Tuesday and 1 hour on Thursday (and vice versa). Many universities have different patterns on T/TH than MWF, but the length of the classes are the same for both T/TH. UF class length are different.
- Mr. Pritz will ask about class length on T/TH and return in January with a summary.

UF Goals

- The University's Goal Setting Task force started the next step of drafting objectives and metrics for the goals. The councils have been asked to discuss these goals and the objectives. After a long discussion reviewing all seven goals and their objectives, the APC decided to concentrate on two:
 - Goal 2 Objective 3 Academic programs that promote effective and accessible learning through innovation.
 - Goal 1 Objective 3 Diverse, robust educational and interdisciplinary areas of excellence.

New Business

• Nicole Stedman reminded the committee that a couple years ago it had requested that the President do a video explaining the importance of students completing the online course evaluations. Now that we have a new President, she asked Beverly to ask President Fuchs to record a video.

Spring Meetings

• The council decided that the majority of members can meet on the third Wednesday of the month at 3:30 p.m. for spring term.

The council adjourned the meeting at 3:10 p.m.