

Undergraduate Advisory Council

Meeting Minutes – October 18, 2010

Recorder: Mariana Diaz

Chair: Deborah Mayhew

Attendees: Jaime Gressley, Sarah Eberhart, Joshua Perry, Ken Foote, Andrew Wehle, Dana Myers, Rick Smith, Albert Matheny, Keith Carodine, Mae Kiggins, Robin Rossie, Roxanne Barnett, Kari Ward, Deborah Mayhew

- I. Acknowledgement of outgoing chair, Erica Byrnes.
 - a. Created 3 Committees: Communications, Campus Affairs, Professional Development
 - b. Our Goal: Continue to promote professional advising and building our advising community.
- II. ALEKS Math Placement Test (Rick Smith)
 - a. Will replace CRA (placement into MAC 2311 and MAC 2233)
 - b. More information can be found on the web
 - c. Not a timed exam, instead exam will finish when it figures out enough about the student (25-30 problems)
 - d. Finds weaknesses in student and provides a composite score
 - e. MAC2311- Need a score of 65%, MAC2233- Need a score of 50%
 - f. MAC1147- Recommend a score of 50%, MAC1140- If student receives a score less than 50%
 - g. Remediation Module (6 weeks to get skills up to speed prior to taking the exam)
 - h. Can retake the Exam, unlike CRA in which the student only had one chance to take the exam
 - i. Costs \$10, will charge the student to their UF billing account
 - j. Students need to access Aleks through ISIS
 - k. AP Score of 5 should be the only score in which a student should be encouraged to go to MAC2312
 - l. It would be beneficial to print the Aleks exam for those students that will take the placement exam during Preview Day 1 (free printing? Arch Lab?)
- III. Chair-Elect:
 - a. Getting copies of the By-Laws for clarification
 - b. Chair-Elect functions as a Vice-Chair in case something happens to the Chair but will not replace the Chair at the end of the term
 - c. Should probably work on re-wording By-Laws because they're a bit confusing
 - d. Ken has been nominated (7 votes in favor)
- IV. Committee Reports
 - a. Kari Ward:
 - i. Group Consensus: It's preferable to receive one newsletter with multiple articles than receiving information on an article-by-article basis.
 1. Trying to increase readership
 - b. Glen Kopic:
 - i. Webinar Dec 15th, 2:00 PM – Academic Advising & Retention: Cultivating the Potential in At-Risk Students
 - c. Jeff Citty:
 - i. More colleges represented than ever before, will try to hold event again in the spring
- V. New meeting time?

- a. Is meeting location an issue? Campus Taxis?
 - b. Send an email out to the list serve to get input on best meeting times and locations
- VI. Suggestions from the group (index cards)
- VII. Advisor Certification Program (College of Engineering)
- VIII. Open Mike:
 - a. Jamie Gressley:
 - i. Transfer Preview Dates: Nov 8, Dec 3, Jan 4
 - ii. Spring Freshman Preview Dates: Dec 6, Dec 14, Jan 3
 - b. Dana Myers: 2 new courses for Graphic Design (ART3930's) – About 20 students in each class
 - i. Media Make Over: The Art of Self-Promotion (present yourself in a professional manner)
 - ii. Visualizing Science (present graphical data)
 - c. Andrew Wehele: Career Advisement Day (SG) – If SG can work directly with UAC, it would be a lot less stressful during this time of the year.
 - i. Considered ineffective
 - ii. Two Student Representatives??
 - iii. Communicate with SG's advisor directly
 - d. Jamie Gressley:
 - i. New Student Family Programs
 - 1. Outreach to family members
 - 2. Every other week, Wed or Thurs (11am-1pm or 5pm-7pm)
 - 3. Parents and Family Facebook page
 - ii. Newsletter that goes out to families
 - 1. Feel free to get in touch with her to contribute
- IX. Next Meeting November 29th:
 - a. Location TBA