Minutes of the Academic Planning Council Meeting  
Wednesday, February 14, 2007

Members present: Laura Anderson, Carol Sue Butts, Christina Curras, Tim Deis, Brian Peckham, Jennifer Snoek-Brown, Jason Thrun, Sheryl Wills (chair), Phil Young

Guest present: S. Balachandran, Jill Clough, Pat Jinkins, Kurt Rolle

I. Chair Wills called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

II. The minutes of the January 24th, 2007 meeting were approved as distributed.

III. Announcements

Provost Butts reported the results of the Board of Regents meeting:
- The Board agreed that technical colleges in the state could offer more liberal arts courses and grant more liberal arts associate degrees.
- The Board has instituted a new admissions policy for students. Students will be granted admission to a UW system school on the basis of more than just grades and test scores. Student potential, their leadership, socioeconomic level, etc. will also be considered. Provost Butts believed this policy would not affect the UW-Platteville campus.

IV. Old Business

The APC review for the Electrical Engineering program was discussed. It was suggested that the committee stress that more resources should be given to the auxiliary resources supporting student success. Additional outside support should be found for the UW-Rock County and UW-Fox Valley programs. It was also suggested that the program should monitor the number of students enrolled in the program and attempt to recruit more students.

The updated program review will be brought before the committee for approval at the next committee meeting.

V. New Business

**Industrial Engineering Program Review:**

Pat Jinkins reviewed the Industrial Engineering program for the committee. The report included the history of the program, course offerings, type of positions and employers of the graduates, the mission of the program, the objectives of the program, how the program is assessed and how it is reviewed, the faculty of the program, student enrollment, the strengths and concerns for the program and the future plans of the program.

The program was congratulated on the thoroughness of its report and the excellent assessment program that it uses.
Questions that were brought up on the program:

- Why were the social science courses dropped from the required curriculum of the IE student? – More engineering courses required for ABET accreditation, but students are still encouraged to take these courses as electives.
- What changes have occurred as a result of the review of the program’s assessment tools? – Various elective courses were changed to required courses.
- How has the faculty’s work load been affected based on the drop of students enrolled in the program? – Faculty supports other programs on campus: General Engineering and Mathematics.
- What are the prospects for increased student enrollment? - Student enrollment should increase.
- Why can’t the office support personnel for the mechanical engineering program also support the industrial engineering program?

Suggestions for APC program summary

- Suggest program look at course rotation and base whether a course runs on the number of students enrolled in the class.
- There is a concern on the drop of students in the program. Efforts should be made in recruiting students.
- Suggest that the support personnel from mechanical engineering help out in the industrial engineering program.

Phil Young moved that the program be continued but they should return in 3 years to report to the committee. When they return they do not need to prepare a full report but they need to inform the committee on how student enrollment has progressed.

Jason Thrun seconded the motion.

The motion was approved.

Volunteers for the Program Review for 2007-08 were determined:

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VI. Other
Committee members were asked to think about how the Program Data Sheet
given to programs should be adapted to be more informative for the committee.
This will be revisited at the last meeting of the semester.

VII. Meeting was adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by
Timothy Deis