Meeting was convened by Jean Scheppers at 4:07 p.m. in Brigham Hall 320.

1) Carmen Faymonville motioned to approve the minutes of the December 14th, 2005. Sheryl Wills seconded and the motion passed.

2) It was announced that at the February 8th meeting we will have Karrman Library present its program review and Rob Hasker will review the International Master’s degree in computer science to the committee.

3) Carol Sue Butts reviewed the Chancellor’s Academic Plan to the committee. The review consisted of:
   a) An overview of current staffing and trends which included:
      i) The average SCHs at the college and department level for the past 2.
      ii) The number of staff, faculty, and academic staff for the past 2.
      iii) The number of majors in each program over the past 2 years.
   b) Short-range academic plan
   c) Long-range academic plan

4) The committee thanked Carol Sue for the report. It helped begin the process of understanding the vision for the University of Wisconsin-Platteville.

5) To help the committee to fulfill its responsibilities of offering recommendations for programs on their reviews, the following questions still needed to be answered:
   a) The committee needs an overarching direction for where this school is headed. What are the plans for the university in the next 5 years, the next 10 years? What are we doing to plan for the future and in what direction are we heading?
   b) Is it possible for faculty members to be involved in long range planning for the university?
   c) What are the future plans for the distance learning component of our campus? How does this affect the traditional courses on campus?
   d) What are the future plans for addressing the different teaching mediums in the next five years?
   e) Where on campus are the majors growing or declining?
   f) What will be the balance of on-line classes versus traditional campus classes in the next five years?
   g) Are the future plans for the campus to offer more on-line courses or for looking for more creative programs to attract TSI students?
   h) How many other campuses offer on-line programs? Will too many on-line courses offered hurt the reputation of UW-Platteville?
   i) What is the vision for the on-line master programs on campus? It looks as if the numbers have increased, will this trend continue?

6) The following suggestions were made for future meetings of the Academic Planning Committee:
   a) Future presentations of program reviews should be limited to 20 minutes. This message should be relayed to departments via coordinators on the committee.
   b) Suspend academic reviews until it is understood what the vision of this school will be. This information is needed to help give direction to the committee on how to offer advice on program reviews. Carol Sue Butts informed the committee this is not possible because these reviews are mandated by the state.

7) Carmen Faymonville wanted to remind members for future meetings the importance of this committee and that each committee member needs to understand the responsibilities of this group.