Academic Standards Committee Minutes 10/7/03

Members Present:

Deans: Rick Roth, Sharon Braverman, Anne Pautz

Student Affairs: Jane Higgins

Admissions: Myrna Garcia-Bowen

Arts and Sciences Faculty: Chris Doyle, Robert Dunne, Susan Gilmore, Charles Waiveris

School of Business Faculty: Kathy Czyrnik

Education and Professional Studies Faculty: Mary Pat Hager, Carol Williams

Technology Faculty: Paul Resetarits, Mfg. And Constr. Mgmt.

Guest: Peggy Schuberth

Members Absent:

Dean, School of Technology Representative, Registrar; Peter Osei, Biology; Barry Westcott, Chemistry; Gene Baten, Management

The meeting was called to order at 2:35 p.m.

MOVED: To approve the minutes for the meeting of 4/22/03.

Rick Roth/Paul Resetarits. Bob Dunne corrected the announcement of the next meeting date (today’s meeting) from Nov. 7 to Oct. 7 on p. 2 of the minutes, after which a
vote to accept was taken. In Favor: All.

OLD BUSINESS:

Bob Dunne and Jane Higgins reported on their efforts to develop a student withdrawal policy for times when a student has been accused of academic misconduct. Bob provided two possible proposal statements:

1. Students who withdraw from a course before the eight-week deadline and are subsequently found guilty of academic misconduct in that course may have their grade of W changed by the instructor.
2. Students accused of but subsequently cleared of a charge of academic misconduct have the option to withdraw at any time.

During the ensuing discussion, it was mentioned that Chris Dukes was presently attending a conference on academic misconduct policies. Bob and Jane agreed to meet with Chris again for any additional input he might have and report back at the November meeting.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. Peggy Schuberth spoke to the committee about policies regarding credit limits for non-matriculating students. Peggy felt that the policy now in effect is workable, that dealing with students at the non-matric limits is a procedural issue, and that procedures are in place at present that do not require any adjustments. The committee asked her to report back in the spring for updates on the numbers of non-matrics.
2. Sharon Braverman suggested that the committee address the problem of the drop-add period, specifically, that it goes on too long so that students who begin the class late almost have different requirements. Part of the problem is that students
who do not intend to take a class often don’t drop it officially, leaving students hanging who want to add it. Sharon suggested the possibility of being able to drop students who had not shown up for the first two classes. Because committee members were needing to leave, this discussion was tabled until the November meeting, where it will be first on the agenda.

At 3:45 it was MOVED to adjourn: Czrynik/Pautz In favor: All.

Next meeting: November 4, 2:30 p.m.**

**Because members may want to attend the Noam Chomsky talk, meeting time is CHANGED to 2 p.m. on November 4

Respectfully submitted,

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