

Advisory Committee on Academic Advising

February 23, 2010

Members present: MP. Bigely (chair), S. Braverman, M. Horan, B. Hosch, S. Odesina, K. Poppe, J. Mulrooney

Meeting convened at 11:08 by Mary Pat Bigley.

Announcements:

M.P. Bigely reported that we do not need to present our outcomes to senate. B. Hosch suggested that the outcomes document should be sent to dept chairs and deans with a note suggesting that this is a working draft, not in stone, and to ask for feedback. It is a document that most likely will evolve over time. Also important to note is that not all of the outcomes have to be or can be measured at every advising session.

Minutes from February 2, 2010 (**approved**)

DISCUSSIONS:

Bylaws were discussed. M.P. will send them back to the Committee on Committees for final approval by the Faculty Senate.

Transfer Students – Committee began discussing the issues surrounding transfer students and where they should go for advising. After some discussion, it became apparent that this is a complex issue that is going to need further discussion. At the very least transfer students should be directed to the school based centers, but there was also some discussion that transfer students should meet with personnel in CACE.

Undeclared Designations: Committee discussed the advising of undeclared students as well as the current 4 categories of undeclared, namely UND-A&S, UND-SOB, UND-SEPS (Elem Ed) and UND-SET. All UND freshman initially receive advising through CACE for creating their Spring Schedules. Discussions centered around who should advise these students this spring for their Fall course selection. The general consensus is that UND should be sent to their school based centers (SOB, SET and SEPS). UND-A&S should remain in CACE (see later note about UND-A&S). The intention is that the school based centers can provide discipline and area specific advising for course selection and programs. Current number of students that are listed as Undeclared are as follows:

Of the 1199 Full Time First Time Students (Spring 2010 numbers)

UND-SET = 15

UND-Elem Ed = 28

UND-SOB = 62

UND-A&S = 162

UND-no school = 10

Thus by the above proposal, 172 students should remain in CACE.

Discussion continued surrounding the UND designation. It was suggested that the UND-A&S does not make sense and should be removed. Students that are currently listed as UND-A&S should be moved to simply UND-no school. The rationale behind this is that, unlike the professional programs/programs in the other schools which may have very specific entrance requirements, UND-A&S is more of just a catch all for students who have not committed to anything, and thus need additional time to explore all majors. K. Poppe was going to speak with Matt Bielawa to determine if the current UND-A&S can be recoded, and if the UND in the other schools can be reassigned to the schools rather than returning to CACE.

Meeting adjourned 12:40pm.

Submitted by,

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