During the spring 2011 semester, the Academic Standards Committee met ten times, and an additional four meetings were held during Summer 2011. The largest number of petitions related to retroactive withdrawal from classes in semesters owing to medical emergencies or domestic problems, late withdrawal from spring 2011 courses, re-enrollment in spring 2011, having been purged because of nonpayment of fees or non-filing of overload petitions, and early re-admission for spring 2011 because of late notification of suspension. We handled several petitions regarding the use of an expired catalog for purposes of graduation. Several students requested using an out-of-date catalog in order to follow its program of study even though they do not meet the GPA requirements listed in the older catalog. Since some colleges have lowered their GPA requirements, they are giving students waivers if ASC approves use of the older catalog. Members of ASC expressed concern that academic standards are not being maintained. However, since the GPA requirements are set by programs/colleges, the issue isn’t in ASC’s purview.

ASC continued discussion of the policy for the dual-baccalaureate degree, primarily focused on comments received from academic advisors related specifically to students who had recently graduated and wanted to return to earn a second baccalaureate. The ASC will make a recommendation in fall 2011 to the full faculty senate regarding modifications to the dual-baccalaureate degree policy. The committee continues without student representation. Two undergraduate seats and one graduate seat remain vacant.

Attendance (voting members) during spring 2011:
Alpert, P. (Health Sci) Attended 6 out of 10 meetings
Juneau, G. (Adv) Attended 8 out of 10 meetings
Moores, T. (Bus) Attended 9 out of 10 meetings
Montgomery, R. (Hotel) Attended 6 out of 10 meetings
Shatzle, C. (Law) Attended 10 out of 10 meetings
Simon, Adam (Sci) Attended 10 out of 10 meetings
Shaffer, D. (Urb. Af.) Attended 6 out of 10 meetings
Spalding, Liz (Educ) Attended 6 out of 10 meetings
Weiller, D. (FA) Attended 6 out of 10 meetings
Yfantis, A. (Engin.) Attended 6 out of 10 meetings
First Undergraduate Attended 0 out of 10 meetings
Second Undergraduate Attended 0 out of 10 meetings
Graduate student Attended 0 out of 10 meetings

Attendance (non-voting members):
Mora, S. (ASC) Attended 7 out of 10 meetings
Collins, K. (Registrar) Attended 5 out of 10 meetings
Davis, D. (Outreach) Attended 7 out of 10 meetings
Pratt, S. (FS Office) Attended 10 out of 10 meetings
Hammer, M. (FS Office) Attended 10 out of 10 meetings

Respectfully submitted by:

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