NORTHERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY

ADMISSIONS POLICIES AND ACADEMIC STANDARDS COMMITTEE
(APASC)

Minutes of Meeting #172
October 12, 2011

Approved

Present: D. Wade (BUS/MGMT); P. Hartman (EDUC/TLRN); J. Wolfskill (LAS/MATH); A. Radasanu (LAS); E. Klonoski (VPA); S. Doederlein (Council of Adv. Deans); P. Stoddard (UCC)

Ex Officio: A. Birberick (VICE PROVOST); B. Hemphill (STUDENT AFFAIRS); S. Eaton (EDUC SERV & PROG)

Student: D. Brouillette (LAS)

Absent: S. Arnett (HHS); M. Gillis (TRANSFER CENTER); K. McCarthy (ADMISSIONS); D. Zinger (EET/TECH)

Visitors: L. Allison (REGISTRATION AND RECORDS); D. Smith (CATALOG/CURRICULUM COORDINATOR); S. Warber (REGISTRATION AND RECORDS)

OPENING: The meeting was called to order by D. Wade.

I. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA

P. Hartman asked to add items from the College of Education to Old Business.

It was moved by P. Stoddard, seconded by D. Wade to adopt the agenda with the addition to Old Business. Motion passed.

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Approval of Minutes (09/14/11)

D. Wade moved to approve the minutes for 9/14/11, seconded by J. Wolfskill. Motion passed.

B. Report from the Advising Deans

S. Doederlein stated there will be a recommendation from the Advising Deans to change the timeframe in which incompletes for undergraduate students are to be cleared. The current policy is 200 days. She stated the colleges feel that is too long of a time frame. The previous policy stated that an incomplete had to be completed ten weeks into the next term.
III. NEW BUSINESS

A. Curricular Items Referred by CUC

- COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SCIENCES #3, September 9, 2011

Certificates of Undergraduate Study

The Illinois Director Credential Certificate – Level 2 and Infant Toddler Credential Certificate both state “To earn the certificate, students must maintain a good academic standing in the university, achieve a minimum grade of C in each certificate course, achieve a GPA of 2.5 in all certificate courses, and complete all certificate course work within five academic years.”

D. Wade moved to refer back to the College of Health and Human Sciences for a rationale of the 2.5 GPA requirement. S. Eaton seconded. Motion carried.

- COLLEGE OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SCIENCES #4, September 16, 2011

D. Wade moved to approve the “C” or better requirement in each course used to fulfill the requirements of the Family and Consumer Sciences Teacher Certification program. L. Smart seconded. Motion carried.

IV. OLD BUSINESS

A. CUC items from September 11, 2008

- COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Department of Teaching and Learning - Major in Special Education (B.S. Ed.)

Emphasis 1: Learning Behavior Specialist I and Emphasis 2: Vision Impairments both have the statement, “If a student’s NIU cumulative GPA drops below a 3.0 at the end of the semester prior to beginning the first block of teaching methods and clinical courses, the TLRN Department may drop the student from these classes. Upon completion of the first block of teaching methods and clinical course work, students are required to maintain a minimum NIU cumulative GPA of 2.75.”

D. Wade indicated that this was sent to APASC in 2008 and was returned to the College of Education for rationale over these requirements.

J. Wolfskill moved that this be referred back to the College of Education specifically to bring it back before APASC with appropriate text that
labels clearly what is already existing catalog language and what is being proposed. D. Brouillette seconded. Motion carried.

B. CUC items from October 16, 2008

- COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

  Department of Kinesiology and Physical Education

  Course revisions for KNPE 445, 452, 453, 454, 457, 458, 459, 460, 483, 493 and 494 now include a prerequisite of a 2.5 GPA.

  D. Wade stated that these students must have a 2.5 GPA to do their internship.

  P. Hartman said that the idea of this GPA requirement is to identify students as soon as they are having difficulty.

  J. Wolfskill asked when in the student’s program they would be taking these courses. P. Hartman said that most of these courses would be taken during the student’s junior or senior year.

  J. Wolfskill asked what classes in this list is a student required to take.

  S. Doederlein indicated that a student would need to take KNPE 445, 452, 491 and their internship. A student would also need to take two more of the courses from the list.

  A. Birberick indicated that the department should take another look at this. She said that adding “or consent of department” may be a simple solution to this.

  P. Stoddard moved to refer this back to the College of Education for a rationale consistent with APPM conditions regarding the 2.5 GPA requirement for all KNPE 400 level courses. D. Wade seconded. Motion carried.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Minutes submitted by Lisa Allison.