Northern Illinois University

UNDERGRADUATE COORDINATING COUNCIL
173rd Meeting
Thursday, April 1, 2010
Altgeld Hall 203

MINUTES

Approved

Present: A. Azad (EET), J. Flynn (EDU), W. Goldenberg (VPA), B. Henry (HHS), J. Isabel (HHS), C. T. Lin (LAS), K. Mantzke (BUS), S. Morris (HHS), G. Nicolosi (BUS), G. Schlabach (EDU), E. Seaver (Vice Provost), C. Snow (LIB), K. Wiemer (LAS)

Absent: B. Broughton (Student/LAS), A. Doederlein (LAS), B. Hart (VPA), C. Jones (LAS), M. Kostic (EET), D. Matousek (Student/SA), O. Najjar (LAS), P. Stoddard (LAS)

Guest: D. Smith, Catalog Editor/Curriculum Coordinator

I. Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made by G. Schlabach, seconded by C. T. Lin, to approve the agenda. The motion carried.

II. Announcements

A. Approval of Minutes

Minutes of the March 4, 2010, UCC meeting were electronically approved.

B. Introduction of New Committee Member

E. Seaver asked committee members to make self-introductions as Joe Flynn, Department of Teaching and Learning, was new to the committee, serving as the College of Education representative for the spring 2010 semester replacing Sheryl Honig.

III. Reports/Minutes from Standing Committees

A. Admissions Policies and Academic Standards Committee

W. Goldenberg reported on the February 3, 2010, APASC meeting, noting that the committee accepted college reinstatement reports for 2008-2009, approved catalog language changes for the Postbaccalaureate Students and Second Baccalaureate Degree, and approved one curricular item referred from the Committee on the Undergraduate Curriculum.
W. Goldenberg made a motion, seconded by S. Morris, to receive the February 3, 2010, minutes of the Admissions Policies and Academic Standards Committee meeting. The motion carried.

B. Committee on the Improvement of Undergraduate Education

There was no report.

C. Committee on the Undergraduate Academic Environment

B. Henry reported that at the February 9, 2010, CUAE meeting the committee heard updates on the progress being made on the Baccalaureate Review and Foundations of Excellence® initiatives. Also, the committee heard an enrollment management strategies presentation from Dr. Brian Hemphill, Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management.

B. Henry made a motion, seconded by C. Snow, to receive the February 9, 2010, minutes of the Committee on the Undergraduate Academic Environment meeting. The motion carried.

D. Committee on the Undergraduate Curriculum

G. Schlabach reported on the March 18, 2010, CUC meeting. The committee approved two College of Business Certificates of Undergraduate Study, one in Interactive Marketing and one in Finance, pending approval by APASC. Also, new degrees in the College of Education (B.S. in Athletic Training) and the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences (B.A./B.S. in Environmental Studies) were approved pending Board of Trustees and IBHE approval. The committee also approved changing the catalog section titled “Inter-College Interdisciplinary Certificates” to “Inter-College Interdisciplinary Programs.”

G. Schlabach made a motion, seconded by K. Mantzke, to receive the March 18, 2010, minutes of the Committee on the Undergraduate Curriculum meeting. The motion carried.

E. General Education Committee
K. Wiemer reported that at the February 25, 2010, GEC meeting, the committee heard a report from Greg Long on the AACU conference that he attended. It was brought to the committee’s attention by Long that NIU seems to be one of very few schools who do not have an assessment committee just for general education concerns. This will be discussed by the GEC in the future. Wiemer also noted that the committee received results of the annual assessment update, the 2009 First Year Composition assessment, and heard an update on the Baccalaureate Review process.

K. Wiemer made a motion, seconded by C. Snow, to receive the February 25, 2010, minutes of the General Education Committee meeting. The motion carried.

F. Honors Committee

There was no report.

IV. Other Reports

A. University Assessment Panel

There was no report.

V. Old Business

A. Date/Agenda for Annual Retreat

It was the consensus of the committee that any further discussion of scheduling a UCC retreat be postponed until next fall.

VI. New Business

There was no new business.
VII. **Adjournment**

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20 p.m.

The last UCC meeting of the 2009-2010 academic year is scheduled for Thursday, May 6, 2010, beginning at 1:00 p.m. in Altgeld Hall 203.

*Respectfully submitted,*  
*Mollie Montgomery*