

Educational Policies Committee
September 10, 2008
Minutes

Members Present: Rick Hogrefe (Chair) Jane Beitscher; Steve Hellerman; Farhad Mansourian; Gary Reese; Dan Word; Larry Aycock (non-voting), Joe Cabrales (non-voting); Ben Mudgett (non-voting)

Members Absent: Debbie Bogh, JoAnn Jones

1. Meeting called to order at 3:05 p.m.
2. Hogrefe reviewed the following charges of the committee and provided explanation and background information on each and some discussion of each ensued.
 - Investigate and make recommendations regarding a statement of faculty rights and responsibilities regarding dropping students from classes.
 - Investigate and make recommendations regarding the acceptance of CLEP scores.
 - Investigate and make recommendations regarding the issue unsatisfactory grades in repeatable courses.
 - Investigate and make a recommendation regarding a transfer of credit agreement with Christian Community College.
 - Work with Academic Exceptions Committee to identify frequently encountered problems, then investigate and make recommendations regarding changes in policy or procedure to address these problems.
3. Aycock previously informed Hogrefe of the following other topics for discussion and resolution this year. Hogrefe and Aycock provided explanation and background information on these issues and limited discussion ensued.
 - Course Repetition Due to Lapse of Time
 - Granting of Degrees with Outstanding Incomplete Grades
 - Transfer Work and Graduation
 - Institutional GPA Requirement for Graduation
 - Academic Renewal Policy Clarification
4. The committee set forth to prioritize the charges. The consensus was the topic should work on issues which might be resolved quickly, giving the opportunity to research more complex issues. The three issues identified to work on first were course repetition due to lapse of time, transfer work and graduation and institutional GPA requirement for graduation. Work on the transfer of credit policy with CCC is in process and it was agreed clarification of the Academic Renewal Policy would wait until the spring semester.
5. Faculty on the committee were assigned to gather input and opinions of other faculty in their respective areas while the representatives from Admissions and Records would gather policy and input from other institutions. Word and Reese will speak to

faculty in the Career-Technical Division, Hellerman and Mansourian for those in Humanities and Social Science and Beitscher for those in Math, Science and PE.

6. Hogrefe suggested the counseling faculty including Bogh might provide insight on the other issues, including CLEP and the repeatability of courses. He agreed to speak to her prior to the next meeting in order to gather that information.

Meeting adjourned at 3: 45 p.m.

Next meeting September 24, 2008, 3:00-4:00

Respectfully submitted,
Rick Hogrefe, Chair, Educational Policy Committee