

AAAC 2-5-2009

Present: Mark Vegter (Chair), Jon Rosenthal, Ted Crane, Tiffany Borne, Amelia Noël-Elkins, Mindy Kinney, John Walker, Jess Ray, Janet Claus

Chairs Comments: Mark discussed (presented potential speaker for Fall Advisor Day. Tom Grimes from Stockton College. Jon has been discussing possible joint event with college of Education. Professional Development Committee is aware of the possibility.

Mark is meeting next week with Danielle Lindsey about yearOne

Mark would like us to consider an advisor newsletter. Considering. pdf format that can be archived on AAAC website. Mark would take the lead initially and then hand off. End of this semester would be goal for first issue.

Secretary/Treasurer Report: No change in balance.

PAC Update: Memo was well received by PAC.

Charge for Advising Syllabus committee: Mark distributed a rough draft of the charge to the committee. Minor edits were suggested and a charge was finalized. Next Professional Development Session the topic will be learning outcomes. This meeting will occur on February 26 from 1-2:30 in Vrooman 108.

Review Advising links on ISU website: Problem is that all of the advising links on the A -Z list link to the University College website. It was suggested that AAAC have a webpage that explains how advising works on campus with links to various areas. Reduce A-Z to only one and have that go to AAAC. Would need to update the departmental advising list. Chair of AAAC would ask people to look at the list during Fall Advisor Day. Mark will e-mail Alex about the changes to the AAAC website. It was' suggested that the Technology committee be charged with regularly checking the status of advising on the web.

University College and Passages: Discussed the possibility of adding a University College Advisement session immediately preceding the college/school/department meeting. Would free up time in college/school/department meetings. Fits well with the current common reading initiative. John suggested that the Passages committee give direction on content of college/ schools department meetings. University college will send out its presentation in advance of Passages so that the content of the meetings/ presentations be coordinated.

Repeat Policy: Why do students have to repeat a course here? Causes an issue with course availability. Discussion ensued about the logic behind the policy, the pros and cons about potential changes, and the impact.

Committee Reports:

Assessment: Meets next Monday. Old Assessment committee has created a summary of accomplishments and A to do list of next Steps.

Professional Development: Discussed the rest of Professional Development sessions for Spring. February 26, 1 -2:30; March 25 2:30-4pm; May 5 9:30-11am. Discussed topics for those sessions. Some discussion about the AAAC Mission statement.

Advisor Syllabus: Has not yet met.

Technology: New chairs selected. Ryan discussed wiki. Chose some people to be testers for new advisor portal.

Advising Transitions Program: Had a professional development meeting and concept was well-received. Amelia sent out follow-up e-mails. Discussed marketing options.

Other Business: Jon reported that the Senate will probably eliminate WF and WP grades. "Sunset" policy is in progress. SGA will be addressing the Constitution Exam.