Committee on Academic Policy

Minutes for Thursday, October 20, 2011

In attendance: Professors Tom Wilson (chair), Kyoko Omori, Chaise La Dousa, Sally Cockburn, Katharine Kuharic; Deans Patrick Reynolds and Karen Brewer; Penny Yee was absent

The meeting convened at 4:15 pm.

Minutes approved for October 13th, 2011

Discussion of role of WRS in gathering, assessing and revising findings of WAC. WRS will update CAP, have a liaison from CAP and submit final report. Current assessment (internal guidelines vs. catalogue) was discussed.

WRS committee charged Alfred Kelly (chair), Sharon Williams, Doran Larson, Ted Lehman, Nicole Snyder, Bonnie Krueger and CAP representative were in attendance. Discussion of status of WAC report, and confidentiality of WAC master review discussed.

Pat Reynolds introduced topic of “First Year Experience” ad hoc committee. Discussion of CAP’s role in review and attendant curricular consequences. Ad hoc committee will review REAL program, academic programs, freshman seminars and residential components as they relate to falloff in academic motivation and retention. CAP will not appoint a liaison at this time but expects the ad hoc committee to report periodically and consult on curricular elements as they arise.

Pat Reynolds introduced topic of online education based on the semester abroad model. CAP voted to invite company to give a presentation at the request of the Dean. The Dean noted that he greatly appreciates CAP’s consultation on this matter.

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Katharine Kuharic