Academic Programs Committee

Minutes

Date: March 17, 1997

Present: C. Campbell, B. Kittle, K. Kougl, J. Beary, D. Suchora, J. Elias, N. White

Guests: Nate Ritchey and Jeremy Mercer, Honors Committee

1. The minutes from the march 3 meeting were approved as submitted.

2. Proposal 97-16, Prekindergarten, was tabled because of problems: courses listed either (a) did not exist, (b) were shown with incorrect hours, or (c) were misnamed. Also, it was not clear if the CS&IS department could handle the new computer requirement. Jan Elias will discuss with Louise Pavia.

3. Nate Ritchey addressed the committee's concerns regarding the associate honors program proposal. He described the history and current rationale, articulation agreements with various community college campuses which want to develop honors programs, the structure of the program, etc. The committee also discussed who is actually supposed to have signature authority for honors curriculum and programs? After the guests departed, the committee approved the proposal as submitted.

4. Proposal 97-17, Histotechnology, was approved as submitted. The new course was added to satisfy the accreditation agency.

5. Proposal 97-18, Biochemistry option in Chemistry, was discussed. Is biology (a) informed and (b) comfortable with the added students in the newly required biology classes? How many students are anticipated? The committee approved the proposal contingent upon satisfactory answers to these questions.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:07 pm.

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To: Members, Academic Programs Committee

From: Nancy White

I am scheduling a meeting of the committee on Monday, March 17 (St. Patrick's Day!) at 3:00 in the small conference room of the Arts and Science Dean's office (in the back). We will address the enclosed proposals, plus a few more that haven't come back from being photocopied yet. If we can't finish on Monday we will have to meet again on Tuesday or Wednesday to finish by the Senate agenda deadline. Also, Nate Ritchey will come in to answer our questions about the Honors Associate degree. If you can't attend, please send me any written comments you have re the enclosed proposals. If the outstanding proposals come back from photocopying in the next day or so, I will send them in campus mail so you will have a chance to read them prior to the Monday meeting.