

## Academic Planning Council Minutes

A regular meeting of the Academic Planning Council was held on February 16, 2007, FaCIT Training Room, 41 3D Park Library. A quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 1:05 p.m.

**Present:** Koch (for Adams), Baugh, Chandler, Christie (acting chair), Fields, Gates, Howell, Sue Ann Martin, Tom Moore, Rutherford, Scukanec, Shapiro, Shellady, Swartz, Zainea // **Absent:** Dailey, Kohrman, Lary, Powell, Riordan, Roscoe // **Guests:** Rick Kurtz, Monica Homes, Mingsheng Dai

### *New Business*

- I. **Approval of Minutes.** Scukanec moved to approve the November 17, 2006 minutes; Shellady seconded. Motion carried.

### **II. Specialized/Professional Accreditation Review:**

- A. **Political Science: Master of Public Administration.** Presented by Rick Kurtz. Discussed issues raised at the November 17, 2006 meeting concerning impact this would have on MSA program. Accreditation of the MPA program should not impact the offering of PSC-MPA courses in support of other degrees (i.e., MSA).

### **III. New Program and New Initiative Proposals:**

- A. **College of Business Administration: Master of Business Administration – Online.** Proposal presented by Mike Fields, Monica Holmes, and Ming Dai.

Issues raised by APC:

1. Faculty teaching in program – what is potential effect on on-campus students? Answer: CBA is hiring four new lines; faculty to assist in teaching.
2. It is difficult to maintain cohorts. Answer: We will start cohorts one after the other. If student falls behind can join the next cohort.
3. Are these full time students – says they are taking 23 credit hours? Answer: No, this to make sure they have five credit hours per semester to be eligible for financial aid.
4. What happens if enrollment does not pan out? Answer: We made investment for extra resources and if it doesn't pan out, will return lines to the general fund. The MBA market is huge – largest Master's program in business. We can differentiate with SAP.
5. There is quite a bit about SAP but not clear if the uniqueness was reflected in the competencies. Answer: Could be stronger.
6. Where would tuition fall? Answer: Between on-campus and PMBA program rates.

**Voting Results:** 11 total votes out of a possible 18 votes

11 Approve to proceed through the curricular process

0 Revise and resubmit a full proposal which responds to concerns of APC and Provost

0 Do not approve to proceed through curricular process

The next meeting is scheduled for Friday, March 16, 2007 from 1-3 p.m. in the Strosacker Room, Park Library. Deadline for submission of items for this meeting is no later than 5:00 p.m., Thursday, March 8, 2007.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:46 p.m.