

TWU Undergraduate Council

February 25, 2008

Minutes

Members present: MarieAnn Demuynck, Karen Dunlap, Don Edwards, Ron Fannin, Joni Jensen, AnaLouise Keating, Christianne Kellett, Sally Lambert (by proxy), Kay Marsh, Lynda Peebles, David Rylander, Charlotte Sanborn, Rochelle Schultz, Terry Senne, Roger Shipley, Dayo Soyombo, Heather Speed, Ann Staton, Sharon Van Sell, Allen Waldo

Ex Officio members present: Judith Bean, Carol Kominski, Heather Speed

Members not present: Steorm Anderson, Pat Devereaux, Russell Greer, Penny Hanstein, LyBeth Hodges, Guy Litton.

1. Received minutes of January 28, 2008 meeting; no revisions were made.
2. **Committee Reports**
 - a. **Assessment Committee**, Dr. Ron Fannin, Chair, offered revised motions for consideration as it relates to assessment in the core curriculum:
 1. There shall be standardized testing of core competencies (such as reading, writing, critical thinking) every third year, and assessment of core content areas accomplished on a rotating cycle every four to five years, using course-embedded measurements such as common exams, common portions of exams, common rubrics for portfolio assessments, or other common instruments for evaluating core learning outcomes across multiple sections and/or courses where possible.
 2. Further, participating in standardized assessment of core competencies would be required of some upper division students in each college, with these students identified by some representative method. Testing would be done in classes identified in advance of the semester of testing and the outcomes of such testing would not be used in determining students' grades in those courses chosen for this assessment.
 - b. **Program Review Committee** – The council entertained a first reading of the proposed policy on periodic undergraduate program reviews. Suggestions for clarification were made and the council accepted the first reading. The proposed timeline for undergraduate program and core curriculum review was also presented.
 - c. **Bylaws Committee**, Dr. Lynda Peebles, Chair, distributed and discussed for a second reading the draft bylaws which had been revised. Suggestions for clarification were made and the council voted to accept these bylaws as a second reading and final draft.

- d. **Course Review Committee**, Dr. Lybeth Hodges, Chair.
Dr. Edwards reported on behalf of the committee.

The Oral Communications Course subcommittee presented the following for ratification:

- a. NURS 3005 Concepts and Clinical Competencies needs further revision from the Dallas program before recommendation of approval granted.
- b. NURS 4806 Transition to Professional Nursing is recommended for approval.
- c. OT 4033 Analysis of Persons, Tools, and Occupations is recommended for approval.

The Council ratified the recommendation of the oral communications course subcommittee.

The committee recommended NFS 3073 Nutrition for Women (A Global Approach) for approval for Global Perspectives; the council ratified the recommendation.

4. Other business

Dr. MarieAnn Demuynck presented on behalf of the Faculty Senate concerns related to the MATH 1013 core curriculum requirement and its impact on the Nursing Programs.