

TWU Undergraduate Council

November 26, 2007

Minutes

Members present: Ron Fannin, Don Edwards, Karen Dunlap, Christianne Kellett, David Rylander, Pat Devereaux, Kay Marsh, Joni Jensen, Dayo Soyombo, Ann Staton, Ana Louise Keating, Lynda Peebles, Roger Shipley, Allen Waldo, Russ Greer, Rochelle Schultz, Terry Senne, Marie-Anne Demuynck and Lybeth Hodges.

Ex Officio members present: Judith Bean, Carol Kominski, Teresa Mauk, Lynda Murphy, and Laura Rocchio.

Members not present: Penny Hanstein, Guy Litton, Kenny Foster, Stoerm Anderson, Sharon Van Sell, Sally Lambert, and Barney Sanborn.

Welcome by David Rylander, Chair of Committee, 2:36PM.

1. Review of minutes of October 29, 2007.

- a. Motion to approve minutes of October 29, 2007 meeting by Don Edwards.
2nd to motion, Ron Fannin.
Vote: Unanimous

2. Dr. Bean reported on the following:

- a. Update of the recent Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board Undergraduate Advisory Education Committee (UAEC) meeting.
 - i. Program reviews
 - ii. College Readiness Standards
- b. FTIC Retention Rates
 - i. Future forum to be hosted for further discussion on the subject. General comments from audience followed Dr. Bean's retention statements.

3. Course Redesign Update – Don Edwards

- a. Update provided on work Chemistry/Physics Department is performing in course redesign – following the guidelines of the SENCER Program.
- b. General comments provided on THECB grant received last year and continued work on course redesign. Dr. Edwards contributed discussion on the National Center for Academic Transformation (NCAT) conference and continued progress on course redesign.

4. Committee Reports

- a. Assessment Committee Report
Ron Fannin provided an update on the core evaluation plan in progress.
- b. Program Review Committee Report
Dr. Bean expressed appreciation for suggestions and support from the graduate school for providing the initial template for the undergraduate program review guidelines. General comments provided by Dr. Bean.

c. Bylaws Committee

Lynda Peebles presented proposed bylaws for the organization. Comments and suggestions addressed:

1. 1st readings/2nd readings proposed
2. Representation as it relates to headcount and major semester credit hours in each division/department
3. Election procedures
4. Choice of committee assignments by members to be included
5. Meeting attendance
6. Voting privileges

d. Course Review Committee

i. The following recommendations were presented by Lybeth Hodges and were ratified by the Council:

1. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS:
 - a. NURS 3005 - Returned for revisions
 - b. NURS 4806
 - i. Dallas Campus – Returned for revisions
 - ii. Houston Campus – On hold pending Dallas revisions for course approval
2. GLOBAL PERSPECTIVES
 - a. DNCE 3143: Approved
 - b. PHIL 3053: Returned for revisions
 - c. ENG 4333: Approved
 - d. BUS 4293: Approved
 - e. ECO 3223: Approved
 - f. PHIL 3163: Returned for revisions
 - g. PSY 4183: Approved
3. MULTICULTURAL WOMEN’S STUDIES
 - a. SOCI 3093: Returned for revisions

5. Other Business: None

Meeting adjourned at 4:33PM