Academic Policy Council Minutes January 10, 2007 471 Grinter 10 AM- 12 PM

Attendees:

Anita Spring Alice Holmes Carol Murphy Janie Fouke

The meeting was called to order at 10:03 AM

The minutes of the December 6, 2006 were approved.

I. Chair's report

Minus Grades

The council discussed the Faculty Senate's vote in favor of minus grades. Dr. Spring noted that student were concerned because there is no A+ grade at UF. She presented information on how the A+ grade is handled at some institutions. The APC agreed not to move forward with submitting a proposal for an A+ grade before the minus grades issue has been resolved.

II. Strategic Work Plan for UF

The council will try to meet with the Strategic Plan sub committee in February in order to develop questions for Dr. Machen to address regarding his six goals. Issues that need to be discussed are: Attention paid to administrative issues, need to look at academic infrastructure, faculty distribution, type of faculty, what is meant by research dollars and how is scholarship supported by research, and benchmarking. Anita Spring will circulate a list of issues to the council for review and input.

III. Note services materials from Robert Emerson

The APC agrees that faculty intellectual property rights need to be protected. Amelia will forward Dr. Emerson's proposals to Barbara Wingo for a legal opinion. The council will also forward the issue to the Student Conduct Code committee for consideration.

IV. Liaison report

Dr. Spring read excerpts from an e-mail Dr. Willis sent the APC about a meeting he attended with the UCC. The UCC passed a motion to have minus grades start in a summer semester. The request was forwarded to the Provost. No further action needs to be taken by the APC on this issue.

Associate Provost for Undergraduate Education meeting schedule:

January 18th- Carol January 22nd- Alice January 25th- Alice, Anita January 29th- Alice February 1st- Carol

Carol Murphy will create a list of talking points for these meetings. The council has been asked, by the Senate Steering committee, to facilitate meetings with the candidates and give feedback to the Faculty Senate Chair.

February meeting:

The APC will hopefully have an opinion from Dr. Wingo on the notes services and will hopefully be able to have a discussion with the Student Conduct Code committee.

The APC will await a response from Dr. Machen regarding his opinion on minus grades.

The APC will discuss the Strategic Work Plan with the Ache, Ludwig, Resnick subcommittee.