Admissions, Standards and Honors (ASH) Committee Meeting, October 1, 2010
Pleasant Hall Library/Conference Room

William Armstrong, chair, called the meeting to order at 4:05 pm. Also present: Stacy Haynie, Andrea Houston, Lupe Lamadrid, Mary Parker, Robert Doolos, Maud Walsh, Paul LaRock. Negulescu and Wahab sent votes and proxies to Armstrong. Walsh served as proxy for Perlis.

The minutes of the Sept. 17th meeting were approved.

Final discussion and vote on request from the College of Business for approval of changes to admission and maintenance requirements as voted on and approved by the College of Business faculty assembly [see supporting documents entitled, “ASH submission_final.doc,” and “ASH-CURRICULUM IN ACCOUNTING final.doc”]. with clarifications to GPA requirements made in response to comments on 9/17/10].

The committee voted to approve all of the proposals.

Discussion of intersession policy change proposals from the University Registrar, vote on part 1

Robert Doolos presented a two-part reworded version of the original proposal, discussed at the 9/17/10 ASH meeting, requesting in part 1 that “Students already enrolled in and having begun Wintersession or Spring Intersession prior to a determination by the university that they are to be placed in drop status as a result of poor performance in the semester immediately prior to the intersession in question, be allowed to complete their Wintersession or Spring Intersession courses, thereby deferring the implementation of this drop status pending completion of the intersession course/s in question.” [see supporting document entitled “Doolos proposals restated.doc”]

Part 2 of the revised proposal also requests explicitly that “These same students be allowed to continue their enrollment if they remove themselves from probation as a result of their performance during the Wintersession or Spring Intersession in question.” This change would make Spring and Winter intersession/drop policies consistent with Summer Intersession and Summer semester.

The committee agreed with Doolos’ suggestion that the two parts of the proposal be voted on separately since the second part had not been fully explained or explored on 9/17. The committee approved the first part of the proposal (allowing students to remain in Spring and Winter intersessions), but deferred a vote on the second part until the next committee meeting.

Request for future discussions of calculation of GPA for transfer students with S/U grades

Andrea Houston asked that the ASH Committee consider in future meetings the issue of GPA calculations for students transferring into LSU from universities that assign only S and U grades, which has implications for scholarships and other recognition, such as University Medals. She pointed out that students may have a 4.0 average based on only a few classes at LSU, and that this might not be appropriate. Houston also said that some transfer students have completed degrees in the College of Business without taking any courses in their major at LSU, but it was pointed out that the College could address that by a catalog statement similar to that used by the College of Arts and Sciences/Humanities and Social Sciences.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 pm.

[Minutes submitted by Maud Walsh]