Admissions, Standards and Honors (ASH) Committee Meeting, October 15, 2010
Pleasant Hall Library/Conference Room

Members present: Bill Armstrong, Muhammed Wahab, Robert Perlis, Regina Lawrence, Stacy Haynie, Lupe Lamadrid, Mary Parker, Robert Doolos, Paul LaRock, Maud Walsh. Ioan Negulescu and Lake Douglas sent votes and proxies to Armstrong.

William Armstrong, chair, called the meeting to order at 4:10 pm.

Presentation of SGA Faculty Senate Resolution 10-13 regarding “Withdrawal Date Policy Revisions”
Jeffrey Wale, LSU Student Government Association Director of Academics, presented a request for ASH support for Faculty Senate Resolution 10-13 http://www.lsu.edu/senate/resolution%2010-13%20withdrawal%20policy.pdf. The ASH committee had not received a copy of the resolution, but agreed to discuss the proposal since Mr. Wale was there. The resolution seeks to make the “drop” dates for courses the same as “add” dates, arguing that six days is not enough time for students to determine whether they want to stay in the classes. Several committee members commented that the change would greatly reduce the value of waitlists, as a longer drop period would mean that students waiting on classes would be less likely to be placed in courses in time. Wale agreed to bring the issue back to SGA for further discussion.

The minutes of the Oct 1st meeting were approved.

Discussion and vote on Part 2 of Doolos proposal
The first part of the Registrar’s proposal on intersession policy changes was approved at the Oct. 1st meeting. Part 2, which requests explicitly that 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 was approved with no further discussion. (see documents from Oct. 1 meeting).

Proposal from the College of Music and Dramatic Arts
The College of Music and Dramatic Arts requested that the cumulative GPA requirement for transfer students to the Bachelor of Music Education degree program be changed from “2.00 or better,” as currently reflected on page 181 in the General Catalog, to “2.25 or better” [see supporting document entitled Proposal from the College of Music] Haynie pointed out that a GPA of 2.5 is required for transfer students, so that the revised statement is still incorrect. Lamadrid will check on wording in other parts of the catalog for other inconsistencies with respect to transfer GPA requirements. The CMDA proposal will be returned for revision.

Proposal from the College of Agriculture
O’Neil presented a proposal from the School of Human Ecology to remove the general grade restrictions from the Curriculum in Nutritional Sciences and apply it to the dietetics concentration only [see supporting document entitled Proposal from School of Human Ecology]. After discussion of the rationale, including the elimination of the Food Sciences curriculum and
the addition of concentrations within Nutritional Sciences to accommodate students with a food science interest, the committee agreed to vote today, rather than wait until the next ASH meeting. The proposal passed.

Haynie reported that the LSU Board of Supervisors was very complimentary about the quality and size of the LSU freshman class for the fall. She thanked the committee for their work on admissions policies.

The meeting adjourned at 4:50 pm.

[Minutes submitted by Maud Walsh]