MINUTES
ADMISSIONS, STANDARDS, & HONORS COMMITTEE
November 7, 2007
10:30 A.M.
Room 310 Peabody Hall

1. Meeting was called to order at 10:30 A.M.


3. LSU Minors

It has been suggested that we have a rule about minors that is comparable to the university's rule about concentrations [Catalog p. 73]: "Each declared area of concentration must include a minimum of six hours of course work that is unduplicated in any other area of concentration." Here's a proposed statement that could go in the section about minors on the same catalog page: "Course work in the minor must contain at least six hours that are not being used to meet the requirements of the student's major(s), any declared concentration, or any additional declared minor."

The above action was discussed with Frank Cartledge in attendance. He had brought the action to the ASH Committee last summer. After lengthy discussion, Ann Holmes moved to table this action indefinitely. Robert Perlis seconded. Motion passed.

4. Academic Actions

The problem is that for many years the E. J. Ourso College of Business has been treating summer term as a semester when taking academic action. We take both positive academic action (removing a student from probation for example) and negative academic action (placing a student on probation or removing a student from the college) based on grades earned during summer. In contrast, we only take positive academic action on grades earned during any of the intersessions (Winter, Spring or Summer).

Recently several students have petitioned us stating that summer is not a semester and so we cannot take negative academic action against them. So far we have won the appeals, but we believe that it would be best if the university investigated this and we followed the university's guidelines. The faculty and the undergraduate college C&C committee have reviewed and discussed this. We believe that since a student can take up to 12 hours in the summer (which is equivalent to a full-time semester), but can only take 3 hours during an intersession, that summer should be treated like a semester and we should be able to take both positive and negative academic action. The increase in the number of intersessions and the number of courses offered in intersessions has increased the opportunities that students have to take courses and to improve their academic standing.

The above action was discussed. The College of Business is one of a few colleges that conduct business in this manner. The committee decided that the College of Business should submit exact language for the catalog to the committee for consideration.

5. The meeting was adjourned at 11:20 A.M.