Admissions, Standards, and Honors Committee Meeting
February 24, 2017
305 Caddo Room, LSU Union

The meeting was called to order at 1:30 pm by Chairman Graham Bodie.

In attendance:
  Voting Members: Graham Bodie, Cathleen Williams (Proxy to Bodie), Greg Griffin, Gary King, Doug McMillin, Alex Garn, Fakhri Al-Bagdadi,
  Non-voting Members: Michael Blandino, Paul Ivey, Walt Holliday, Robert Doolos Emmett Brown
  Guests: James Mickler, Louanne Bergman (LSU Online), Anna Bartel (OAA)

Minutes from the January 27, 2017 meeting were approved.

Proposals:

1. Third Reading, Office of Academic Affairs Concentrated Study Period: The OAA Concentrated Study Period proposal was refined based on discussion from the second reading in the January meeting. Specific language was added to the proposal about exceptions to the policy. A main point about exceptions focused on assignments that posted on syllabi on the first day of class. Mr. James Mickler, a student in biological sciences was present to support the revised language. There were concerns about language in the exceptions revision such as the exclusion of “homework”.

   After discussion, a motion was made to approve the proposal (Garn; Second, Al-Bagdadi).

   Motion passed (4 -2).

2. Second Reading, Office of Academic Affairs Online Attendance: Office of Academic Affairs Policy Review Committee along with the Online Policy Working Group proposed added language in the General Catalog attendance policy that alerts students to what constitutes attendance in online courses.

   After discussion, a motion was made to approve the proposal (King; Second, Garn).

   Motion passed (unanimous).

3. Second reading: The Office of Enrollment Management proposes to make changes to LSU’s freshman core course requirements in order to align more closely with the 2018 TOPS University Core being used by the Louisiana Office of Student Financial Assistance, the Louisiana Department of Education, and the Louisiana Board of Regents. The Admissions, Standards, and Honors Committee approved the majority of these changes in April, 2014. This proposal seeks to further align with our peers. Feedback from the Department of Mathematics (Delzell) expressed concern about the acceptance of AP Computer Science as it may not provide sufficient preparation for calculus. The French Department was satisfied with the foreign language changes. A contingency was added that allows for Faculty / Departments to Line Item Veto specific courses.

   After discussion, a motion was made to approve the proposal (Garn; Second, King).
Motion passed (unanimous).

4. Meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm.