

Admissions, Standards and Honors (ASH) Committee Meeting

November 30, 2011

Council Room, LSU Union

Members present: Sarah Bartoleme, Graham Bodie, Nicole Dahmen, Robert Doolos, Lake Douglas, Andrea Houston (chair), Gerry Knapp, David Kurpius, Lupe Lamadrid, Ioan Negulescu, Gil Reeve, Larry Smolinsky, Maud Walsh.

Guest: Kevin Cope, President, LSU Faculty Senate

Houston called the ASH meeting to order at 12:30 pm. The minutes from the Nov. 9th meeting were approved with a correction to the spelling of Larry Smolinsky's name.

Common course numbering system

Kevin Cope, President of the Faculty Senate, briefed the committee on developments with the common course numbering procedure being implemented in the state. Reeve reported that he had learned that in order to courses to have the same number, the content must match, and that LSU use its own course numbers, but have common course numbers in parentheses.

Dual enrollment proposal

David Kurpius, Associate Vice-Chancellor for Undergraduate Admissions and Student Aid reviewed the high school articulation agreements that were presented at the two previous ASH meetings. He said that the proposal would be modified to delete the requirement that the agreements be limited to Grade "A" schools because some schools aren't graded.

Cope said that he endorses approval of the agreement because articulation agreements require our taking them anyway, helps with four-year completion. Houston asked whether the Faculty Senate should consider the proposal, and Cope said that the Faculty Senate would be happy to consider it.

Reeve questioned whether the proposal was necessary, as dual enrollment is already in place for some courses. Cope suggested that the proposal should go to Senate to give it visibility and faculty buy-in. Knapp moved to close discussion so that committee could vote on the proposal. Knapp moved to accept the memo in principal if it is changed to say that the agreements are reviewed by relevant disciplinary committee, and a subcommittee of ASH is formed to review the finalized proposal. The motion passed.

Reeve asked if the proposed dual enrollment can go forward for the spring, and the committee agreed that it could, if the changes in the wording were made. Kurpius said that his office will move forward, and work with the sub-committee. He said that he will talk with Associate Deans at December meeting. Doolos asked about schools to be included, and Kurpius responded that LSMA and LSU University High were certain, and that magnet schools are interested in a robotics class for the fall.

Subcommittee formed

A process subcommittee to develop a procedure for proposing action by ASH and informing pertinent LSU officials will be made up of Bartolome, Doolos, Reeve, and Walsh

An admissions committee will be comprised of Houston, Knapp, Kurpius, and Lamadrid

Intersession classes

Cope told the committee that the Faculty Senate would like the ASH Committee to look at intersession classes because the scheduling of three intersessions allows little flexibility in scheduling of regular semesters and because the Faculty Senate Executive Committee has received comments about quality of intersession classes. He reported that intersession classes yield \$800,000 profit for LSU. Cope emphasized that the Faculty Senate is not taking a stand on the issue. Smolinsky commented that class offerings are a departmental decision, and Doolos and Reeve confirmed that intersession courses are now approved by departments like regular semester classes.

A move to adjourn was made by Bodie, seconded by Knapp, and approved by committee vote.

The meeting adjourned at 1:30 pm.

[Minutes submitted by Maud Walsh]