

**Admissions, Standards and Honors (ASH) Committee Meeting  
November 9, 2011  
Council Room, LSU Union**

Attending: Fakhri Al-Bagdadi, Holly Annison, Sarah Bartoleme, Patti Beste, Graham Bodie (proxy by Bartoleme), Nicole Dahmen, Lake Douglas, Gil Reeve, Andrea Houston (chair), Gerald Knapp, David Kurpius, Lupe Lamadrid, Ioan Negulescu, Larry Smolenski, Maud Walsh.

Houston called the meeting to order at 12:31

**University medalist proposal discussion**

Gaines Foster, Dean of the College of Humanities and Social Sciences, discussed the proposal presented at the last meeting about university medalist procedure changes to address problems that have arisen with transfer students [see document entitled Medalist proposal for ASH]. Houston summarized committee concerns and suggested a counter-proposal: apply LSU credit first, then transfer credit (this is not how it currently works with automatic counting of credits). Beste says her staff cannot be asked to make the decisions about rearranging order of classes to be counted. Walsh asked if sending back borderline cases to colleges would help. Beste responded that various colleges might handle things differently with having more flexibility than others. Reeve suggested having LSU courses count when they can might work, particularly since there would not be many students whom. He also pointed out that a perceived problem with University Medal recognition could be an obstacle attracting more transfer students, which is a goal for the University. Houston suggested that the committee provide the Registrar's office with written guidelines for determining eligibility for borderline transfer students to the Registrar's office rather than sending the cases to the colleges. Douglas moved that the committee instruct the Registrar's office to make adjustments to degree audits to allow appropriate LSU courses to count in before transfer courses towards a degree program in the cases in which only the ratio of LSU to transfer credits is an obstacle to the students' receiving the University Medal. Reeve suggested that the Registrar's office write guidelines for procedures and send to committee for approval. Knapp seconded the amended motion and the committee voted to approve it.

**Dual enrollment proposal**

David Kurpius, Associate Vice-Chancellor for Undergraduate Admissions and Student Aid high school articulation agreements (see document entitled LAMSA UHIGH Articulation points). The schools under consideration for the first round are Baton Rouge Magnet High School and LSU University Lab School in Baton Rouge; the Louisiana School for Math, Science and the Arts (LMSA) in Natchitoches; Ben Franklin Magnet School in New Orleans. These high schools are very willing to have LSU oversight and meet LSU SACS criteria. Kurpius pointed out that other universities in Louisiana have articulations agreements with these high schools and that

students have to take a subsequent class at the university in order to have articulation credits applied, so that some students choose to enroll at the university at which they already have credit. Kurpius mentioned that the LSU Math Department has concurrent enrollment agreements with high schools. Smolenski point out that the Math Dept. system for 1021, 1022 is not the same thing as is being proposed by Kurpius because it requires that grading be done at LSU and that the "Instructor of record" in the proposed system is at the high school, for Math Department agreement it is LSU faculty member. Dahmen asked how is this arrangement is different from AP class. Kurpius responded that it shows up as an LSU course. Smolenski asked what courses are being considered, and Kurpius responded that there is an interest in Latin at LSMSA. Reeve asked if all students in a given high school class have to be at same university. Kurpius responded that they do not, but that teachers have to teach to highest standard. Kurpius added that students at LSMSA were eager to have LSU credit. K: if we want to capture spring students we have to move quickly. Lamadrid pointed out that the students will have to meet admission requirements. Walsh asked if this could this be done in time for spring semester, and Kurpius responded that it could be, as there are few students and classes involved.

Houston announced that the committee will meet one more time during the fall semester to take care of remaining business. The meeting was adjourned at 1:30 pm.

[Minutes submitted by Maud Walsh]