

Admissions, Standards and Honors (ASH) Committee Meeting

March 15, 2012

115 School of Human Ecology Building Conference Room

Members present: Fakhri Al-Bagdadi, Patti Beste, Graham Bodie, Andrea Houston (chair), Gerald Knapp, Ioan Negulescu. Proxies: Andrea Houston for Sarah Bartolome and Maud Walsh.

Guests: Thomas Rodgers, Student Government.

Houston called the committee to order at 12:05pm. The minutes from the meeting on February 29, 2012, were approved without amendment.

+/- Grading

Houston indicated that ASH's request to have a liaison on the Faculty Senate +/- Grading Committee was granted. Knapp volunteered to serve as liaison.

Al-Bagdadi indicated that Vet School students favored +/- grading, but the Dean was neutral on the issue.

Rodgers noted that students generally are not in favor of moving to +/- grading. He anticipated grade appeals would increase substantially. He noted that Ohio State had recently changed to +/- grading, and had then changed back again.

Houston noted that Robert Doolos had obtained some studies (e.g., Oklahoma State) showing GPAs lowered as a result of moving to +/- grading, and grade appeals increased considerably.

Intersession Recommendations

Houston presented the Intersession Recommendations (previously circulated by email), and summarized the recommended revisions received from the committee. Bodie motioned to approve the recommendations with the revisions, and Negulescu seconded. The motion was approved.

Grade Exclusion Policy

Knapp presented the draft recommendation from the Grade Exclusion subcommittee (Knapp, Doolos, Lamadrid) for revised wording of the Grade Exclusion Policy resolution.

Rodgers indicated that he did not see any items that the student government would object to, including the "less than C" provision.

Al-Bagdadi questioned whether the policy would apply to any Vet School programs (i.e., are any considered undergraduate programs?). Best will check in the Registrar's office to determine an answer.

ASH committee members were asked to review and provide feedback on the draft to the subcommittee.

Further discussion was tabled for final discussion and vote at the next ASH meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 12:40pm

[Minutes submitted by Gerry Knapp]