Academic Standards Committee
Minutes, September 25, 2014


The minutes of the March 2014 meeting were approved.

New committee members Tom Crawford, Michelle McDaniel, and Molly Carlson were welcomed. Molly will serve as the new administrative co-chair, replacing Dr. Warner. Zana Moran is the faculty co-chair.

The committee reviewed recent and outstanding charges and progress to date:

- Policy that does not allow students who fail in an online class to register for additional online classes: COMPLETED. There is no way for this to be done using our records systems.
- Academic Integrity Policy: COMPLETED and adopted by the board.
- Professional Development Policy: COMPLETED and adopted by the board.
- Minimum number of credits at the 200-level for graduation: COMPLETED. Current curriculum requires the acceptable minimum of 200-level classes; no need for an additional policy.
- Grading:
  - Scale change: still requires discussion, including understand of what Health Sciences is doing, implications for financial aid.
  - HCC has moved from awarding grades higher than 91% of the nationwide average to 61%.
  - Pass/Fail: More discussion needs to happen about this option and implications across campus, including transfer, GPA, and whether the college would need to establish a maximum number of P/NP courses allowed. Committee members will bring in research from other schools. The discussion should include whether HCC needs a definition of when P/NP is appropriate.