

Committee on Academic Policy
Meeting #1, Academic Year 2016-2017

August 29, 2016

Present: M. Humi, Chair; J. Doyle; M. Elmes; J. Hanlan; A. Heinricher; D. Olinger

CAP's appointee to the Educational Development Council (EDC) will be Arthi Madan.

CAP's appointee to the Undergraduate Outcomes Assessment Committee (UOAC) will be David Olinger.

CAP discussed a draft of a policy on registration for Independent Study Projects which it spent most of last year developing. The policy consists of three motions which will be presented to the Faculty at the October Faculty Meeting. Given that there was some opposition by some department heads last year, Prof. Doyle will present the revised final draft of a different proposal to the Department Heads at their next meeting and report back to CAP. The draft is on file with these minutes.

The online course report experiment was discussed. It was suggested that it would be a good idea to survey faculty for their reaction to the online versus the paper course report format. 4,500 online reports were submitted; 35,000 paper reports were submitted. It is CAP's intention to continue to work, this year, with Dean Heinricher to consider the matter of additional experimentation, discontinuation of the experiment, or full implementation of online reports.

CAP briefly discussed the need for a formal method of regular evaluation for continuing non-Tenure Track faculty.

A list of sixteen (16) potential agenda items, suggested for consideration this year by various members, was distributed by Prof. Humi.

Once a regular meeting time for CAP can be established, two student representatives will be appointed by Student Government.

Respectfully submitted,

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