TO: President Norma S. Rees
FROM: Don Wort, Chair, Academic Senate
SUBJECT: Actions of the Academic Senate

At its meeting of April 30, 2002, the Academic Senate took the following actions:

Approved:
01-02 CIC 22, Extension of the current General Education Program through the 2002-2003 Academic Year

01-02 CAPR 3, Merger of the Mass Communication and Speech Communication Departments into a new Department of Communication

01-02 CIC 24, the Addition of a Generic Undergraduate Course A3999 Issues in... and a Generic Graduate Course A6999 Issues in... for Each Academic Program, as amended by 01-02 BEC 8 which 1) adds the restriction that the courses can be offered no more than twice on a given issue and 2) removes the last sentence of the Policy which reads: If the topic affects or overlaps with the subject area of another department(s) the offering department must consult with the affected department(s).

Follow-up to the CAPR Response to the 2000-01 Five-Year program Review of the Department of Psychology

CAPR= Requested Response to the 2000-01 Health Sciences Five-Year Program Review

01-02 FAC 6, Policy on Religious Observance, as amended by changing the last sentence of the policy to read: Students with other scheduling conflicts related to religious observance should bring these to the attention of the instructor in a timely manner, so that the student will be accommodated, if at all possible.

01-02 CAPR 5, CAPR Observations & Recommendations Regarding the 2002-03 Prioritizations of Tenure Track Requests, as amended by 01-02 BEC 9, after changing amendment 4) of BEC 9 to read as follows:

CAPR recommends that requests for tenure-track positions be shared and discussed with all of the Chairs in their respective Schools and with the Library Council in the Library, as an essential part of the prioritization process. In the spirit of strengthening faculty-administration dialogue, we strongly urge School Deans to continue to consult with all of the Chairs in their respective Schools, and the Librarian with the Library Council, regarding the prioritizations of tenure-track requests that they have made. These discussions should occur before the prioritizations are forwarded to the next decision-making level.

cc: Academic Senators
Administrative Officers
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