Minutes of Meeting of Monday, May 19, 2008

Members Present (2008-09): Carl Bellone, Tom Bickley, Dan Cerutti, Linda Ivey, Peter Marsh, Jim Mitchell, Sam Tran, David Woo, Mitch Watnik


Members absent: Tom Cadwallander, Denise Delumen-Wong, Hongwei Du, Fung-Shine Pan, and vacant student seats

Guests: Rosanne Harris, Sally Murphy, Dan Cerutti

1. Mitchell reviewed revised agenda. Deleted STAT 4601 and reordered some items. Seitz suggested adding a discussion of the Senate change in the document passed regarding the new course form.

2. Jim Mitchell elected Chair and Linda Ivey elected Secretary for 2008-09 unanimously.

3. Approval minutes Seitz/Lee MSP 7/0/0 Under item 3, typo 2001 should be replaced by 3001.

4. STAT 3510 Procedures for Surveys for GE Area D4 MSP Seitz/Bickley 7/0/0
   Murphy noted that the course is conditionally approved for next year’s offering, despite the recommended change in catalog description. She further noted that it is implied that the offering of the course next year would be consistent with the changes. Watnik noted that this is consistent with the Statistics and Biostatistics Department’s plans.

5. STAT 4601. Dropped from the agenda at the request of the STAT Dept.

6. Review of GEOG 3500 Geography of the United States and Canada for GE Area D4 MSP Lee/Bickley 7/0/0

7. Added item. Discussion of New Course Request Form. Bellone said the ExCom expressed concerns over the fact that it is usually the department chairs who fill out and submit the forms. Seitz and Lee questioned the availability of resources. Seitz additionally asked whether it is the department chair who might be sued if the course is not accessible and noted that it is not practical to assume that the chair is able to look over all materials from all departments’ courses. Senate Chair Henry Reichman came in to discuss the changes made to the document between the committee and the Senate.

8. Adjournment 2:35 pm. MSP Lee/Ivey 7/0/0.