

DEPARTMENT MEETING MINUTES
Department of Business and Economics
Erlanson 304, October 10, 2011

Present: Diek Carlson, Ethan Christensen, David Johnson, Richard Stewart (Chair), Jerry Hembd, Rick Moran, Anne Podgorak, Zamira Simkins, Mei Cao, Edie Plasch, and Shawn Osell

The meeting was called to order at 12:03 p.m. by Richard Stewart, Chair.

The minutes of the September 26, 2011 meeting were approved (Hembd/Simkins) with the noted corrections in the spelling of Hembd.

Accomplishments

- A grant for Kay Biga.
- Rick Moran said the schmooze-a-palooza “exceeded expectations.”
- Mei Cao attended (along with a student) a supply change management conference.
- Jerry Hembd attended and presented at a campus sustainability conference.
- Proposals have been accepted for the upcoming Wisconsin Economics Association for papers by Zamira Simkins, Shawn Osell, and two students.

Announcements

- Chancellor Wachter will be attending the November 7 department meeting.
- A half-time support staff position has been approved for DBE through the end of the academic year.
- All classes are covered for spring. There have been some time changes.
- A recruiting fair is coming up.

Faculty Senate

- Suggestions related to the proposed personnel templates are due to Personnel Council by November 1. The Chair has submitted those developed by DBE.

Academic Affairs

- There are proposed changes in the name, oversight, and credits earned at UWS connected with Individually Designed Majors.
- There is a list of proposed changes to graduation requirements.

Assessment

- Rick pointed out that October 14 is the deadline for curricular mapping.
- Two upcoming items to be considered:

- Common goals across programs to reflect and support the accreditation process.
- Assessing LELG (Liberal Education Learning Goal)#2 during the current academic year for all programs.
- It was agreed that the department would meet at noon on October 20 for Rick to lead the discussion on the two previous items.

Curriculum

- First-Year Seminar
 - Courses will be listed under IDS.
 - There is the need for funding to cover these courses and a question regarding whether it will be available.
 - The proposal to accept the “Swimming with Sharks” First-Year Seminar as the department’s offering in this area pending funding availability was approved (Hembd/Moran).
- Marketing
 - The ITS 108 requirement will be looked at by all Business Administration majors before proceeding with any proposed changes. Survey data will be used to support this process.

Other

- Advisement is coming up.

The Chair adjourned the meeting at 12:53 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Hembd