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# ACADEMIC STANDARDS & POLICY COMMITTEE
# 1/31/2005

## MINUTES

**PRESENT**: Laager, Odom, Selzler, Seyfried, Aakre, B. Nelson, Uttermark, Ellram, Huus, R. Nelson
**GUESTS**: Uttermark, Christopherson

1. Access to Student Records Policy. B. Nelson distributed a copy of the Regents' Policy on Access to Student Records and reminded committee members of the need to maintain confidentiality of individual student information.

2. Chairman Seyfried reminded members of the upcoming meetings scheduled for 2/28, 3/21, 4/18, and 5/9. B. Nelson noted that any policy changes that might be adopted by the committee would need to be approved at the 3/11 Faculty Assembly meeting in order to be printed in the 2005-07 UMC Catalog.

3. B. Nelson informed the committee of discussions with CEO Massey on the issue of acting on student appeals of committee decisions regarding academic reinstatement. Joe wanted to assure the committee that he will consider the rationale of the committee when acting on an appeal and has requested that he receive a written summary of why the appeal was denied.

4. A 1/26/05 e-mail from Tina Falkner, UMTC, was discussed regarding SCEP's recommendation to the UM Senate that awarding of a minor require a minimum of one upper division course (3-credits) in the minor from the University campus from which they are seeking a minor.

5.The Committee acted upon a student petition requesting a retroactive withdrawal and 100% tuition refund for courses taken Spring 2004 in which the student currently has "I" grades. B. Nelson reported that additional information reveals that the agreement to complete the course requirements from the faculty (with one exception) did NOT include the provision for the student to "sit-in" the Spring 2005 courses as stated in the petition. The committee denied the petition.

6. A proposal to allow PSEO students to enroll in online classes was discussed. Past UMC "practice" did not allow this due to concerns about the historical success rate of online students. The University does not have a policy precluding this and UMM has a successful online GenEd program serving PSEO. Exceptions to the current practice have been granted this semester to one home-schooled student with prior college credit and to 5 students at Waubun HS. It was stated that this represented a collaboration opportunity with high schools and that feedback from specific principals/superintendents viewed this as an opportunity to serve schools located in remote areas not convenient for in-person PSEO participation. It was stated that these schools are being pressured by parents to provide such opportunities and that by doing so the schools would gain by not having the students leave completely to enroll as a PSEO fulltime. The counterpoint was also presented in that current CIHS programs are essentially revenue neutral to the high schools while PSEO participation results in reduced state aid payments. It was also noted that payment for PSEO participation to the college is formula based resulting in lower tuition/fee payment than that charged on campus students. [ . . . the reimbursement per credit hour shall be an amount equal to 88 percent of the product of the general revenue formula allowance minus $415, multiplied by 1.3, and divided by 30.] It was stated that allowing PSEO students to enroll in online courses would actually better insure the academic quality of the course versus CIHS courses because UMC would be doing the hiring and evaluation.

**Motion/Seconded/Passed** that UMC allow PSEO students to enroll in online distance education courses. This recommendation will be forwarded to Faculty Assembly.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05 p.m.