

AAA Committee
October 8, 2002
Minutes

Present: Markus Pomper, chair,
Cheryl Stolle,
Joanne Passet

Absent: Debra May,
Lynn Hufford,
George Mathew.

The committee met at 11:00 am in the DAR.

1. Student appeal. The committee discussed the student appeal of Shelly Gast. It was noted that Ms. Gast's appeal did not make a case for her failure to remove the grades 8 years after she earned them. Her academic achievements did not improve after the semester in question; in fact, she continued to earn low grades in classes that were in her major area (Mathematics). The committee decided to recommend denying the student's appeal.
2. Referral to Community College system.
Chair's Suggestion:
 - a. IU East keeps its open admissions policy; the choice between CCI and IUE remains essentially with the students.
 - b. Students are advised to take classes at the community college if they are able to take a full course load there or if their degree objective is only a 2-year degree that is offered by the community college.
 - c. Students are advised to enroll at IU East if they can take a full course load here, and if their degree objective is outside the reach of the community college.

The committee agreed that IU East should retain its open admissions policy. The suggestions (b) and (c) should be revised so that they only refer to students intending to take a full course load. It was noted that students should be referred to the Community College system only if students could not be adequately served by IU East's courses. Such examples may include students who would need too much remedial work in both Mathematics and Writing.

The committee agreed that this topic should be discussed with divisions. The committee members will hold informal discussions with their peers to determine how IU East's faculty feels about these issues.

The committee further discussed other related topics: How should courses and other transfer credit from the Community College be evaluated so that transferring students are adequately prepared for their degree objectives? How can IU East offer an adequate number of upper division classes to improve its competitiveness and service to the community?

Even though this is not a charge to the committee, the need we agreed on the need for discussion.

3. The committee adjourned at 11:30 am. The next meeting will be November 19, 11:00 – 12:00.