

Admissions and Academic Affairs Committee
Minutes
August 31, 2004
2-3 pm DAR

Present:

Laura Baldwin
Denise Bullock
Michele Curry
Margaret Thomas Evans
Laverne Nishihara
Markus Pomper, Chair

The Committee met on August 31, 2004 at 2pm in DAR.

1. Pending Suspension Appeals.

The committee received three suspension appeals on Friday, Aug. 20, and one on Monday Aug. 23. The appeals received on Friday had been denied previously. The committee decided to deny the appeal received on Monday Aug 20. The student will be informed about the possibility to petition for reinstatement for Spring 2005.

2. Future Student Appeals.

The committee discussed the possibility of broadening the scope of the “approval without meeting the committee” procedure for suspended students. This procedure is currently used waive the requirement for some students who appeal their suspension, but whose GPA deficiency is relatively minor (ie it can be removed with 12 or less credit hours of “B” work). It was agreed that the appeals of those students who had previously successfully appealed their suspension, and who have met all requirements for during the past semester should also be approved without having to meet with the committee. These students still must appeal their suspension. They must indicate that they have met all the stipulations that came with the approved petition; they must have a plan of study for the next semester that has been approved by their advisor; they may increase their credit-hour load by 3 credit hours, but not beyond 12 credit hours. The committee decided that students who did not meet the requirements should still have the opportunity to meet with the committee and argue their case. Academic Advising will be notified of this possibility.

3. Future Meetings and Additional Members.

The committee discussed that future meetings should best be held on Tuesdays 2-3 pm or Wednesdays 9:30-10:30 am. Those dates will be alternated. The Education Division has asked for one member to be elected into AAA. It was agreed that an additional member from education would be useful, but this new member would have to be available for meetings at at least one of the meeting

times. The Education division will be asked to suggest a member, whose name can then be forwarded to the Nominating Committee.

4. Admissions Policy.

The committee discussed the suggestions/concerns of the admissions policy raised by VCES.

- a. There were no concerns regarding the suggested changes for Non-traditional students. The remaining question is how a brief summary of this category can be formulated, but this question seems to be of an editorial nature.
- b. Members of the committee were concerned about the statement that IU East should deny admission to a certain group of students. For discussion with the campus, we should produce a copy of the ICHE statement that mandates the selectiveness in admissions. It was suggested that the restrictiveness of the conditional admissions class could be construed as a selectiveness of some sort. The committee decided to await VCES's response to the suggested change, and obtain a written statement of the ICHE mandate.

5. Academic Forgiveness.

A rough draft of a possible academic forgiveness policy was distributed. Points to consider are:

- a. The number of semesters/credit hours that can be forgiven;
- b. Whether students should apply for forgiveness upon returning, or whether they have to prove themselves first;
- c. What to do with students who wish to apply for forgiveness after they have received a baccalaureate degree.

The committee adjourned at 3:10 pm.