Bluegrass Community & Technical College

Academic Standards & Admissions Committee

Minutes: December 9, 2011, 11:30 AM.

Oswald Building 210

Members Present:
Nancy Bronner (Chair)
Gary Powell
Barbara Elzey
Tim Birch
Ann Bishop
Mary Jones
Laura Williams
Brandon Knight (By phone)
Guests:
Old Business:

Chair Nancy Bronner called the meeting to order. Barbara Elzey suggested that a revision to last month's minutes be made by changing "proctoring" with "non-proctoring" for accuracy. Barbara made a motion to accept the last month's minutes, with the revision, and Mary Jones seconded. The motion passed. There was discussion by Gary Powell and Barb Elzey concerning the new revisions for the ASA Committee. The Rules Committee suggested that the Chair of ASA not be confined to being a Faculty Council senator, but should be elected from a larger pool by faculty-at-large in a campus wide election. Ruth Simms, in her role on FC, had mentioned that this would allow more opportunities for candidates up for promotion to find leadership opportunities. It was the opinion of the majority of the ASA Committee that the chair should be elected similarly as the Rules Committee or other Faculty Council committees. No action was taken.

Nancy Bronner led discussion on the new proposed rules changes by the Nursing Division. There were two proposals with one concerning Guidelines for applicants and Preferences given to applicants for entry into the RN program. On Guidelines, there were questions about the reliability over the past exams with the new exams for admission into the program. There was a question of clarity concerning item #6 on page 132 where it was suggested to add "with non-traditional students" to "Rationale for proposed Action." Motion was made by Tim Birch to pass the new Guideline changes, with the revision, and it was seconded by Barb Elzey. Motion passed. Concerning the Preferences proposal, Barbara Elzey motioned that the Preferences be passed, with the same revisions in the Guidelines proposal, and this was seconded by Tim Birch. Motion passed. There was further discussion about making sure that the new readmission policies only apply to nursing courses and not general education type courses. Mary Jones made this a motion and it was seconded by Gary Powell. Motion passed.

Next, the committee looked at the proposed changes for the Dental Hygiene Program. There was clarification given by Mary Jones on the differences between Dental Hygiene and Dental Assisting programs. Apparently, Dental Hygienists can do much more with patients than Dental Assistants who are restricted from many dental procedures. One typing error was found on page two where Physiology I and II needed to replace Bio 137 and 139. Barbara Elzey made a motion to pass the changes, with the revision, and Mary Jones seconded. The motion passed.

The final issue was discussion concerning limits being put on the frequency of how often a Compass test may be taken by the Mandatory Placement department. It was revealed that the directions on the test can be confusing for students to understand. Brandon Knight offered much insight on the limitations by suggesting that students be allowed to take the test no more than once per week, the directions should be clarified, and the once a week restriction could be lifted if the personnel giving the test, believes that there was an error in procedure that could not be helped. The majority of the ASA Committee agreed with Brandon's conclusions. No official action was taken, but the opinion will be passed on.

Next Meeting:

The date for the next meeting will be on the second Friday, January 13, 2012 in OB 210. Nancy Bronner made a motion to adjourn and it was seconded by Laura Williams. The motion passed.