

Academic Policy Council  
Minutes  
September 23, 2009  
3:00-4:30 PM in 278 Reitz Union

Attendees:	Danaya Wright
Bernard Mair	Roger Reep
Bernie Machen	Ken Gerhardt
Peggy Carr	Jack Mecholsky
Nancy Poehlmann	Saeed Khan
Cynthia Morton	

The meeting was called to order at 3:02 PM

Tracy Rambo was elected as co-chair of the Academic Policy Council and will represent the APC on the Steering Committee.

#### APC and UCC charges

The council discussed flow charts that identify the path that curricular items take for approval. The APC discussed the council's charge in relation to the University Curriculum Committee's charge in these items. Danaya Wright will request a recommendation from the COC to clarify the UCC and the APC's respective charges so that jurisdiction is clear.

#### DCP New School Proposal

The council discussed the DCP new school proposal and the academic reasoning for the merger. The council recommended approval of this proposal to the Senate.

#### Strategic Work Plan

The council will provide the President with input into the goals that the council feels would be important for him to work towards for the coming academic year.

#### Academic Plan

The council discussed the creation of an academic plan to provide guidance on such matters as an academic plan or vision for the university, parameters of online education, guidelines on general education, the ideal undergraduate experience, the use of adjuncts and lecturers, etc. The council will look for examples of academic plans at other institutions. The council agreed that the University needs to find a way to articulate why a degree from UF is different than an online degree or a four year degree from a community college. Dr. Mair stated that he is chairing a committee on undergraduate education. This committee may have looked into some of these issues. The council will coordinate their efforts with the committee as appropriate. Dr. Machen indicated that the council could provide meaningful input to the administration by developing a statement on what a UF education encompasses.

Adjourned at 4:34 PM