

Undergraduates Affairs Committee
Monday January 28th, 2008
2PM, 147 Altgeld Hall

Present:

Balogh, Bergvelt, Green, Hildebrand, Ivanov, Miles, Szuta, Tolman

Brief discussion of two topics:

- Request of Francis to teach an experimental version of Math 347/348, as a pilot for a possible new course Math 349. The proposal will be studied by the committee. Decision postponed.
- Request of the Computer Science department to consider some newly developed courses in the CS department (aimed at non CS students) as replacement for or addition to the current courses CS 101, 105, 125 in our programs. The proposal will be studied by the committee. Decision postponed.

The committee further discussed the idea of having Course Stewards for our courses with multiple sections. Decision postponed. Respectfully submitted:
Maarten Bergvelt

Undergraduates Affairs Committee
Monday, February 4th, 2008
1PM, 147 Altgeld Hall

Present:

Balogh, Bergvelt, Green, Hildebrand, Miles, Muncaster,
Szuta, Tolman, Uhl

- Minutes of the meeting of January 28th, 2008, were approved.
- The UAC decide to let the Computer Science department know that the Mathematics department would be interested in considering the new introductory courses in CS for Math student when these new courses are no longer experimental.
- Francis proposed an experimental version of Math 347/348. The UAC decided to ask Francis on more details on how the Advanced Composition requirement of this course would be met.
- Methods to improve Calculus teaching were discussed.

Respectfully submitted:
Maarten Bergvelt

Undergraduates Affairs Committee
Monday, February 11th, 2008
1PM, 147 Altgeld Hall

Present:

Bergvelt, Green, Hildebrand, Miles, Muncaster, Szuta, Tolman.

- Minutes of the meeting of February 4th, 2008, were approved, after minor corrections.
- The UAC decides to support Peressini's proposal to teach a Math 490 course this Fall.
- The duties of the proposed Course Stewards were discussed.

Respectfully submitted:
Maarten Bergvelt

Undergraduates Affairs Committee
Monday, February 18th, 2008
1PM, 147 Altgeld Hall

Present:

Bergvelt, Balogh, Green, Hildebrand, Miles, Muncaster, Szuta.

- Minutes of the meeting of February 11th, 2008, were **APPROVED**, after minor corrections.
- The ALEKS assessment test of precalculus skills is currently given in the first week of class in Math 115, Math 234, and Math 220/221, and is part of the overall grade for those classes. The UAC discussed a proposal to drop ALEKS as part of the syllabi of those classes and use it instead as a placement test. This involves a change in the course catalog. The proposal was **APPROVED**.
- A proposal to create an 8 week, 2 credit hour Trig class, Math 014 was **APPROVED**.
- Brief discussion on the Assessment Statement. How does the Undergraduate Program measure its success?
- Information on the BIOQUANT proposals was distributed.
- The report for the EC drafted by Tolman on Course Stewards was with minor changes **APPROVED**.

Respectfully submitted:
Maarten Bergvelt

Undergraduates Affairs Committee
Monday, February 25th, 2008
1PM, 147 Altgeld Hall

Present:

Bergvelt, Balogh, Green, Hildebrand, Ivanov, Miles, Muncaster,
Szuta, Tolman, Uhl.

- Course contacts: a motion to let Muncaster find Course Contacts for the non Course Steward Courses was **APPROVED**.
- Bio Quant. The UAC **APPROVED** a motion to endorse the department working with the biologists to create new Bio Quant courses. Also a motion was **APPROVED** to encourage the EC to investigate obtaining 23 Illini Hall for a computer lab for BioQuant courses,
- Brief discussion of the work of the Assessment Committee.

Respectfully submitted:
Maarten Bergvelt

Undergraduates Affairs Committee
Monday, March 3rd, 2008
1PM, 147 Altgeld Hall

Present:

Bergvelt, Balogh, Green, Hildebrand, Ivanov, Miles, Muncaster,
Szuta, Tolman, Uhl.

- The minutes for February 18th were **APPROVED**.
- Brief discussion of the work of the Assessment Committee.
- Bio Quant. There was some concern about a potential Balkanization of the audience for Calculus courses, in case we have separate calculus sequences for Engineers and Biologists. Nevertheless, the UAC **APPROVED** the motion to send a letter to the EC to continue the Bio Quant process, with an experimental section in Fall 2008.

Respectfully submitted:
Maarten Bergvelt