Committee on Academic Programs and Continuing Education (APACE)
MINUTES OF May 12, 1998


Absent: Ahmed Abdelal, Margo Brinton, Tim Crimmins, Sam Deitz, Gary Evans, Bill Fritz, Sherry Gaines, Sheryl Gowen, Sidney Harris, Ron Henry, Julie Hotchkiss, Fred Jacobs, David McCreery, David Myers, Bill Nelson, Carla Relaford, Tim Renick, Bill Rushing, Paula Stephan, Eloise Stiglitz, John Thomas, Dave Vanko, Armenia Williams, and Carol Winkler.

The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m. in Room 718, General Classroom Building by Chair, John Newman.

Minutes of the April 14, 1998 Meeting
On a motion by Judy Wold, seconded by Ellen Taylor, the minutes of the April 14, 1998 meeting were approved as presented.

Election of Chair for 1998-99
On a motion by July Wold, seconded by Detmar Straub, the committee unanimously reelected John Newman to serve as chair for the 1998-99 academic year.

Joint Senate Research/APACE Center Review Committee
Committee reports were presented on three research centers; Gerontology Research Center, Center for Sports Medicine, Science and Technology, and Center for Atypical Development and Learning (CRADL).

Center for Sports Medicine, Science and Technology
The committee recommended that the center develop a clear differentiation between its research and service missions. They also suggested that the center develop guidelines for enhancing broad faculty recruitment for the center. A final recommendation was that the center continue to generate external research grant support.

Gerontology Research Center
The committee recommended that the center develop a set of guidelines to explain how faculty are recruited and affiliated with the center. They also suggested that the center develop a formal set of policies and procedures for a) the distribution of center monetary resources that are devoted to the research mission of the center and b) a faculty reporting/accountability system for their use of resources in support of the research mission of the center.

Also recommended was that the center develop a plan for broader faculty involvement in the research mission of the center and that the center develop a five year strategic plan for research including goals and objectives in concert with the center's advisory board.

Additional recommendations included having a review of the Gerontology Certificate Program by the appropriate APACE structure for academic program review and having the center undergo a
re-review of their research component in three years and thereafter on a five year basis.

Center for Research on Atypical Development and Learning
The committee's report indicated that research is the major thrust of CRADL with its educational, outreach, publication, and policy activities related to the research function. The Deans of Arts and Sciences and Education have indicated their funding support for a five year period. The joint committee was satisfied that the center is meeting the criteria for a research center and enthusiastically recommended continued support for the center. The APACE Committee endorsed the report.

Preliminary Proposal for Master of Science in Urban Teacher Leadership
Fenwick Huss, chair of the Graduate Council, presented the report of the preliminary proposal for the Master of Science in Urban Teacher Leadership. The purpose of the degree is to train teachers to take on leadership roles as teachers, not administrators. The program will focus on four major components of leadership development. They are collaboration, writing and communication for change, reflective thinking for problem solving, and advocacy of excellence in urban education. He recommended approval and the committee unanimously agreed.

Subcommittee Assignments
John Newman discussed the various subcommittee assignments available for committee members and suggested that they advise him of their preferences.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m. The next APACE Committee meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, June 2.

James Bohanan, Recorder

Please send questions or comments to Mary Nell Stone