

Also attending: Betty Hill (Recorder)

The meeting was called to order at 3:10 p.m. in Room 718, General Classroom Building by Chair, John Newman.

Minutes of the February 9, 1999 Meeting

The minutes were changed to read: In closing, John Newman proposed that the March meeting be after the spring break and the April meeting to remain as scheduled. On a motion by Margo Brinton, seconded by Faye Borthick, the minutes of the February 9, 1999, meeting were approved as presented.

Discussion on Academic Program Review

Review of Department of Marketing: Margo Brinton briefed the committee on the current status of the program review for the Department of Marketing. An overview was presented of the Key Observations/Issues. Several recommendations were suggested by the committee: publish in top journals (quantity vs. quality); hire a senior intellectual leader; extend scope of research centers; become more active with doctoral students; develop research around RoundTable opportunities, and finally, encourage the use of electronic and technological techniques.

Review of Department of Educational Psychology/Special Education: Shirley Tastad gave an overview of the committee's findings. Several recommendations were suggested by the committee: the department should be encouraged and allowed to plan their future; limit enrollment in certain areas and focus on full-time doctoral students; develop a plan to maximize strengths and move to national prominence.

Review of Middle-Secondary Ed & Instructional Technology: Sam Dietz requested that the MSIT program review be rescheduled to 2001 until several issues have been resolved by the Board of Regents.

Tim Crimmins moved that the review be rescheduled to 2001, seconded by Faye Borthick. The recommendation was passed.

Committee Reports:

Assessment Subcommittee: Sheryl Gowen presented the latest draft proposal for the General Education policy. On behalf of the Assessment Subcommittee, Sheryl Gowen presented two proposals related to the assessment of general education and the majors: (1) Assessment Proposal for General Education; (2) Departmental Responsibilities for the Assessment of Undergraduate Majors and the Assessment of Oral, Writing, and Computing Competencies. After a brief discussion, the proposals were passed.

Graduate/Undergraduate Councils: No new business.

International Education Committee: John Hicks has prepared a report and will present it in April to the committee. Discussion items include funding allocation, the University's priorities, funding new programs. Two issues are to be addressed: (1) criteria by which making awards - currently $120,000 each year; and (2) criteria/guidelines consistent with international strategic initiatives for international student fee waivers.

There being no additional business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:50 p.m.