

Academic Affairs Committee Minutes
Monday, April 25, 2016
3:15 – 4:00 pm
Lincoln Room

Present: Ryan Alexander, Sungkyu Kwak, Bobbe Mansfield, Jean Marshall, Tony Palbicke (Chair), Mike Russell, Shaun Schmidt, Barbara Scofield, Randy Pembrook (ex officio)

Guests: Alan Bearman, Julia Murray

1. Minutes from the March 28, 2016 electronic meeting

The minutes were sent to the committee prior to the meeting for review. The minutes were approved and will be forwarded to Faculty Senate.

2. Update regarding STAR program (Probation/Reinstatement policy)
(Non-action item)

Chair Tony Palbicke asked Dean Bearman to provide an update on the STAR program.

Dean Bearman indicated the program has accomplished what was proposed.

1. A STAR coordinator was hired to work with the students who were placed within the STAR program due to their academic status. A mentoring program was quickly developed and implemented as a component of this program; it is working well.
2. The program was implemented quickly, and thus far has done well with the students who have participated. 71% of those who participated in the program completed the requirements.

The committee learned through discussions, that the STAR coordinator continues to provide information about students who participated (completed and non-completions) to the Probation and Reinstatement committee. There is a

recommendation made but the Probation and Reinstatement committee is charged with the responsibilities of making the final decision regarding the academic status should a student not have satisfactory grades.

The program is making an impact on those served however not enough data is available to determine fully why some students are successful and others are not. The program will make another report to the committee in the Fall 2016 semester. At that point, the question of “what is the outcome of a full year data” should be answered.

Chair Tony Palbicke asked if a survey/exit interview could be done to gain feedback from students on program. Tony was asked to discuss this with Dean Bearman to see if he/his staff could coordinate this.

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.