

Minutes  
Undergraduate Academic Affairs Committee  
March 2, 2017

**Members in Attendance:** C. Boyd, D. Barbeau, D. Lohe, E. Gockel-Blessing, G. Barker, G. Mayfield, J. Perolio, J. Burwinkel, J. Langan, K. Thatcher, L. Sweetman, M. Allen, N. Westhus, R. Cole, R. Wood, S. Naeger, and T. Gasmi

**Guests in Attendance:** J. Haugen, W. Rehg

**Call to Order:** Rob Wood called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**Approval of Minutes from the February 2, 2017 Meeting:** Minutes from the February 2, 2017, meeting were unanimously approved.

**New Business:**

Debbie Barbeau had an information item for the group. The business school is making a change to some terminology. For instance, International Business has always been called a concentration for business school students and called a minor for non-business school students. Concentrations will now be called majors. The supporting areas that used to be for business school students and the minors that used to be for non-business school students will now both be called minors.

In addition, they will still have one minor in their Service Leadership which will not be available to non-business school students. They will also have a minor in Business Administration (Common Body of Knowledge) that will not be available for business school students.

**New Academic Program Proposals:**

- Brother Rehg talked to the group about his proposal for a new certificate in Foundations of Christian Service. This certificate is meant to widen the attractiveness to a broader group of people. It is meant to be shorter, fifteen hours as opposed to thirty-seven.

There was concern over the potential for overlap and competition with the Aquinas Institute of Theology. Brother Rehg contacted Aquinas and received a letter of endorsement. In regards to SPS, there doesn't appear to be a conflict and that this new offering might open up some possibilities of collaboration between SPS and P&L.

- Jay Haugen discussed the subject of accelerated programs and future proposals with the College of Pharmacy and our Law School. The task that

was given to him that he is finally coming back with information on was this idea of when does an undergraduate student become a graduate student. NASFA had just put more of their archived materials online and we got a hit from 1978-79. They were told that this guidance was still accurate. What it says is as long as the graduate credit counts towards an undergraduate degree, it is ok to still consider them an undergraduate student. There needs to be a clean break when a student moves from undergraduate to graduate. Due to some discrepancies, this policy needs to be rewritten or written.

Biology and Health Sciences in conjunction with STLCOP are both proposing a 3+4 accelerated BSPH-D. Biology is proposing some minor curricular changes. A portion of the coursework from STLCOP will be used to count back towards the 120 so that the Bachelor of Science in biology will be awarded after the student has spent the first year at the St. Louis College of Pharmacy. Also, a BAJD 3+3 program is being proposed with the law school The student will fulfill all of their requirements for the major, all the requirements for the A&S core curriculum, and the first year of law courses is going to be used to count back to bring the students up to the 120 they need to get the degree. Once again, the bachelor's degree won't be awarded until after the completion of L1 downtown.

There are still many questions and concerns. The committee needs to get to closure before everyone leaves for summer. Rob asked that members email him any question they might have regarding this subject.

### **Announcements:**

Martha Allen announced that Associate Professor Nancy Bell contacted the library to see if there was any coordinated effort to address the concern of "fake news". The library is happy to work with anyone to talk about how we can evaluate fake news.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:50 a.m.