

**University of Nebraska – Lincoln
Academic Planning Committee**

**Approved Minutes
November 29, 2006**

Members Present

F. Edwin Harvey
Steven Dunbar
Jeffrey K. Keown
David Solheim

Robert S. Haller
M. Susan Hallbeck
David Fowler
Steven S. Waller

Dwayne Ball
Mary K. Bolin
Giacomo M. Oliva
Curtis A. Wray

Members Absent

William J. Nunez
John C. Owens

Barbara Couture

Prem Paul

Others Present

Nancy Mitchell, Professor, Advertising
Gary Brewer, Department Head, Entomology
David Carter, Lecturer, Entomology
Tiffany Heng-Moss, Associate Professor, Entomology
Randy Wehling, Professor, Food Science and Technology

Harvey called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

Minutes

Approval of the Minutes from the November 1, 2006 and November 15, 2006 meetings were moved by Keown. Ball seconded and the Minutes were approved without dissent. [Hallbeck and Dunbar arrived]

APC Representative APR Report for Department of Biological Systems Engineering [Report attached to permanent record]

Nancy said the dates of review were April 10-13, 2006 and stated the names of the review team. Nancy mentioned one thing she found interesting was that the Department of Biological Systems Engineering was internationally known. She indicated that they didn't find any major flaws but did have a couple of recommendations regarding the entire Academic Program Review, which "would make the APR's in line with our institutional foci on these two areas". The recommendations are:

- might be helpful in the future to ask APC monitors to include a section on the Strategic Plan in their APC report
- Student Learning Outcomes are also included the APC report and future APR representatives might ask those creating the Self Study to document assessment of the outcomes

Mitchell's general comment was that the departments worked well together. She recommended no further action.

There were no questions and Harvey thanked Mitchell for her participation and report. [Bolin arrived]

Aesthetic Review Committee – Appointment

Harvey asked outgoing subcommittee member Hallbeck for a description of this committee. Hallbeck said this was not a “heavy duty” committee with regards to time. She stated that this was an interesting and fun committee that only met 10 times at the 19th & Y Building. She indicated that she would continue to serve on the committee but a class conflict prevents participation. Keown added that he was on this committee in the past and agreed with Hallbeck.

Harvey indicated that member Bolin volunteered to be the APC representative for the Aesthetic Review Committee. Her appointment was supported by APC membership.

Report: *The Strategic Plan for Diversity at The University of Nebraska-Lincoln* – Proposed APC comment on the Strategic Plan for Diversity [Report attached to permanent record]

Harvey read the following from Haller and Ball.

“The Academic Planning Committee reminds the team formulating a campus-wide diversity plan that the creation of the curriculum of an academic unit is the sole responsibility of the faculty of that unit. Further, the APC would like to remind the team formulating a diversity plan that, under section 1.10.1.2 of the UNL Bylaws, the APC is responsible for formulating and recommending educational, research and service goals to the Colleges, the Faculty Senate, and the Chancellor.”

Harvey asked if there were any questions or objections to this comment. There were none and the narrative was supported by APC membership.

Proposal for BS in Forensic Science

Bolin spoke on behalf of the subcommittee (herself, Nunez, and Ball). She said that Gary Brewer answered the questions they had and the committee supported this proposal. They believe that it is a strong, well justified proposal. [Guest, Randy Wehling arrived]

Haller asked about backup faculty. Bolin replied that there were 10 to 12 faculty as backup. [Guests, Gary Brewer, Tiffany Heng-Moss, and David Carter arrived]

Harvey asked if there were any questions for the guests. There were none and the proposal was approved by APC membership. Harvey congratulated the guests and they left. [Copy of full proposal attached to permanent record]

Proposal for BS in Food Technology for Companion Animals

Fowler started by saying that this proposal is consistent with the Strategic Plan. He indicated that questions were sent to Randy Wehling who responded back in detail. This response was greatly appreciated.

Dunbar asked besides Alpo what other animal food manufacturing industries are in Nebraska? Wehling replied with the following: Iams in Aurora; M-I Industries, Lincoln; Nestle-Purina, Crete; Oxbow Pet Products, Murdock; and C.J. Foods, Pawnee City (and in Kansas). Wehling also stated that they anticipate starting this course with 10 students but would like to see the course grow to 50 students.

Hallbeck said that she was amazed at all of the letters of support.

Harvey asked if there were any further questions for Wehling. There were none and the proposal was approved by APC membership. Harvey thanked and congratulated Wehling. [Copy of full proposal attached to permanent record]

Issues from Vice Chancellors

There were no issues to discuss from the Vice Chancellors.

Other Business

Harvey mentioned the upcoming APC Holiday Party on December 19. [Oliva arrived]

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelly Green
APC Coordinator