FEB Minutes
April 20, 2017 (1:30-2:30)

Members Present: Dr. Bruce Barrett, Dr. Jack Clampit, Dr. Doug Cook (alternate), Dr. Harold Elder, Dr. Peter Johnson (alternate), Mr. Dan Maguire, Dr. Robert McLeod, Prof. Joyce Meyer, Dr. John Mittenthal, Dr. Shawn Mobbs, Dr. Clay Posey (alternate), Dr. Ed Schnee, Prof. Jenna Stiffler

Others Present: Dr. Jonathon Halbesleben and Mrs. Kati Hardemon (serving as recorder).

Dr. Schnee called the meeting to order in the Dean’s Conference Room at 1:30 pm.

1. Proposal for AC 148 – The proposal to create the AC 148 course has been voted on by the Undergraduate Programs Committee and was approved with a vote of: 4 in favor, 1 opposed, and 1 abstaining. The purpose of this course is to introduce students to the different types of Accounting earlier in their college careers. A motion to approve the proposal as substantive was made by Prof. Meyer and was seconded by Prof. Stiffler, the motion passed unanimously and the proposal will go to the Faculty Forum for a vote.

2. Proposal for MS in Business Analytics- The Master’s Committee met and voted unanimously to approve this proposal. A motion was made to approve this proposal as substantive by Dr. Mittenthal and seconded by Dr. Posey, the motion passed unanimously and will go to Faculty Forum for a vote.

3. Proposal to reclassify International Business, Management Communication, and Accounting for non-majors specializations as Minors – Currently these specializations do fit the ACHE and UA guidelines/definitions of specializations. There was a question as to why General Business Majors were unable to have an Accounting Minor, it was believed this was a “hold-over” from when these were specializations. The Accounting minor will be sent back to the Department to ask if enforcing the non-general business majors rule should be retracted. Dr. Mittenthal moved to approve reclassifying the specializations in International Business and Management Communication as minors as a non-substantive change; the motion was seconded by Dr. Clampit. The motion passed unanimously as non-substantive.

4. Release Time/ Indirect Cost Recovery Policy- This policy reduces the amount needed to buy out of a course. Dr. Mittenthal made the motion to accept the policy and was seconded by Dr. Barrett the motion passed unanimously.

5. Teaching Load Policy – this policy now includes a path for faculty publishing in the highest tier journals to be eligible for a course release. There was discussion over the minimum student in a course requirement. Dr. Halbesleben responded that we needed to establish minimums to help implement the policy, it was understood that there needs to be flexibility and may be some reasonable exceptions. Dr. Cook made a motion to accept the policy as substantive and was seconded by Dr. Barrett, the motion passed unanimously and will be sent to Faculty Forum for a vote.
With no new business the meeting was adjourned at 2:15 pm.