

Undergraduate Academic Council Minutes

February 26, 2009

The Undergraduate Academic Council met on Thursday, February 26, 2009 in Room 366-C Wallace Hall on the Troy campus. The meeting was called to order by Dr. Jeff Spurlock, Chairman, at 3:30 p.m.

Fourteen members were present: Dr. Jeff Spurlock, Ms. Sheila Bennett, Mr. James Davis, Dr. Thomas P. Dunn, Dr. Joseph Fielding, Dr. Judy McCarley, Dr. Cindy McCoy, Dr. Richard Millard, Dr. James Ortego, Dr. Steve Ramroop, Dr. James Ryan, Ms. Donna Schubert, Mr. Chris Shaffer, Dr. Patrice Williams. These members constituted a quorum (Dr. Fred Westfall and Dr. Isabelle Warren each voted in absentia).

Dr. Steve Ramroop moved to accept the agenda. Dr. Rich Millard seconded and the motion carried.

Dr. Cindy McCoy moved to accept the November 21, 2008 meeting minutes. Dr. Judy McCarley seconded and the motion carried.

Mr. Jim Davis moved to accept the February 11, 2009 meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Dr. Cindy McCoy and carried unanimously.

The proposal to modify the requirements for business students enrolled in MGT 4476 Strategic Management was discussed. Dr. Jim Ryan, initiator of the proposal, was present to answer questions. Dr. Thomas Dunn moved to accept the proposal (see below). Dr. Steve Ramroop seconded the motion that passed unanimously.

The next meeting of the Undergraduate Academic Council will be held Thursday, March 26, 2009 at 3:30pm. Proposals to be considered for that meeting must be sent to Dr. Jeff Spurlock (via e-mail attachment and hard copy with the necessary routing slip signatures) no later than Monday, March 16, 2009.

Dr. Hal Fulmer, Associate Provost, briefed the Council on the progress of the SACS accreditation report and of the visits by the SACS teams later in the spring 2009 semester.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Date: February 12, 2009

To: Jeff Spurlock, Chair Undergraduate Academic Council

From: James Ryan, Chair Undergraduate Program Committee
Through Don Hines, Sorrell College of Business Dean

Re: Undergraduate Catalog Modification
Requirement of a "C" or better to pass MGT4476 – Strategic Management

Dr. Spurlock:

At the request of the Management Discipline Coordinating Committee and with recommendation by the SCOB Undergraduate Program Committee, we request the Undergraduate Academic Council to consider a modification to the existing *Additional Specialized Requirements* for the Sorrell College of Business (page 69 of the undergraduate catalog). Specifically, the modification would document the requirement for business students to make a grade of "C" or better to pass the MGT4476 Strategic Management course, as MGT4476 is currently the capstone course for all business majors.

The modification would change the third bullet under *Additional Specialized Requirements* on page 69 (first column) as follows, with the modification (addition) highlighted below:

Students must achieve an overall C average in both their business core and their business major in order to be eligible to graduate. All courses should be taken in the appropriate numerical sequence (i.e. 3000-level courses should be completed before attempting 4000-level courses). Sorrell College of Business students must pass the business administration capstone course, MGT4476 - Strategic Management, with a grade of "C" or better.

Thank you and the Council for your consideration.