

**Admissions, Standards and Honors (ASH) Committee Meeting  
May 8, 2015  
310A, LSU Union**

Meeting opened at 2:33pm with quorum; Graham Bodie presiding, minutes recorded by Graham Bodie.

In attendance:

- Voting members –Graham Bodie, Alex Garn, Paul LaRock, Gary King, Suzanne Stauffer
  - Proxies: Graham Bodie for Doug McMillin, Cathy Williams, Gerry Knapp
- Non-voting members – Paul Ivy, Michael Blandino, Robert Doolos

Minutes from April 17, 2015 were approved.

**I. Registrar's Office – Proposal for Posthumous Commendation.** Robert Doolos's revised document for posthumous commendation addressed all concerns raised in discussions of previous versions. Two comments were submitted:

1. This will be available as soon as it is approved by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee and Office of Academic Affairs.
2. The commendation does not have to be tied to a graduation ceremony, though it can be. Departments and colleges can choose to recognize a student at any time assuming they follow protocol.

Motion to vote (King); Second (LaRock); Motion passed unanimously.

**II. Faculty Admissions Committee.** An email was received by ASH from Lupe Lamadrid (Admissions) on the "Faculty Admissions Committee", which she believed to be a subcommittee of ASH. The documentation retrieved from her office was in the form of a Faculty Senate Resolution (88-17), approved March 30, 1989. That resolution commits the Chair of ASH and two additional members of ASH to this "subcommittee" that evaluates all admission appeals cases. Kevin Cope expressed that changes to this structure will need to be formally submitted through the Faculty Senate.

Several models for the construction of this committee were discussed:

1. Keep it as is – as a subcommittee of ASH with membership of three. Presently, two faculty members serve on the subcommittee who are not members of ASH, creating issues there.
2. Restructure the committee to be a separate Faculty Senate committee. This change will, presumably, require a change to the FS bylaws.
3. Restructure the committee to be a separate Faculty Admissions Committee that is housed under the Office of Enrollment Management who seeks input from ASH and the Committee on Committees for faculty willing and able to serve in this capacity.

It was also discussed whether members should be term limited similar to existing FS committees (i.e., 3 years). The issue with term limits is that the learning curve is steep for this committee and there is advantage to institutional memory for long-term members. Current members have served the committee for 10 years, for instance.

A point was raised regarding the need for this committee to report to ASH or to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee. One member expressed the potential for the Chair of ASH to sit on all subcommittee meetings as oversight. Others expressed that this may not be the best use of the Chair's time.

The point was made that while ASH recommends policy, this subcommittee makes functional decisions regarding policy. Thus, there is no structural reason that members of ASH should also serve on this other committee.

Several expressed that due to the time requirements of the admission subcommittee it should probably be staffed by other faculty to prevent overload rather than members of ASH.

No remaining meetings scheduled for the Spring 2015 semester. Fall 2015 meetings will be scheduled in August.

Meeting adjourned at 3:09 PM.