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Present: George Drake, Dan Lipori, Jason Underhill, Thomas Tenerelli, Penglin Wang, David Martin, Clem Ehoff, Janet Finke

Absent: COTS representative, student representative and Lindsey Brown

Guest(s): None

Meeting called to order at 3:33 p.m.

George moved to approve October 8 minutes as presented. David seconded and minutes were approved.

Chair updates – Dan added committee charges to New Business.

Scholastic standard policy – The committee reviewed the changes to the scholastic standard policy and made changes. The committee approved the changes with one abstention. This will be sent forward to the Executive Committee.

New Business
Committee charges - The committee discussed the new charges for the year. It was decided that the committee would discuss the Organizational structure changes charge 15-16.01 today. 15-16.02 on grade changes George, David and Thomas will work to come up with suggested policy/procedure language. 15-16.03 Interdisciplinary programs Penglin, Jason & Dan will review the former language that was in policy and see what should be put back in and where. 15-16.04 Faculty teaching guidelines for teaching online Janet Finke and Clem will work on language.

Organizational Structure changes – David provided an example of what another institution had in policy/procedure dealing with organizational structure changes. Some of the questions that came up from the committee: What is the veto power of each body? If one area says no, what does that mean? Who has ultimate decision? Should ADCO be put into the process? Are there accreditation issues? Name change maybe a different process or explain what is needed for each type of change. Name change, split, creation, etc. Should students and staff have a place in the process? Solicit student opinion to be part of their proposal. If Dean vetoes, then could have appeal process to Provost. Dan will take comments and continue discussion over email.

Meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.