

ACN Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, September 19, 2006
8:30 – 10:00 a.m.
Union E280

Department of Enrollment Services: Beth Weckmueller

Beth Weckmueller gave an enrollment update for fall 2006. The overall enrollment for fall 2006 at UWM is around 28,400-28,500. This is a 1% increase from last year. The overall freshman enrollment was down 250 from last year. The total number of freshman for fall 2006 was approximately 4,050, which is the second highest ever. Also for fall 2006 there was a modest increase in transfers. UWM educates the most Wisconsin students of any school in the UW system. As far as diversity and students of color are concerned, this year's freshman class is down a little bit as far as numbers, but as far as a percentage remains relatively the same. UWM will continue to further diversity in the future, hopefully at a more rapid rate.

Beth also gave an update on admissions changes. Applications for fall 2007 are already coming in and the Admissions Office will work hard this year at staying ahead of applications this fall. Another change is in the review process for students who do not meet admissions requirements. These students will no longer be required to take the ATS (Admissions Test Series) but the review committee will be looking at more detailed information from the ACT scores. Furthermore, the Admissions Office is moving ahead to revise admissions criteria for next year moving toward holistic admission.

Finally, Beth discussed the upgrade to Peoplesoft 8.9. The program will no longer be called OASIS. Everyone on campus will be unable to access information using PAWS during the upgrade, which is scheduled to start on November 3rd and run through the next week (November 6th-10th.) Some information may be accessible during the second week, but no one will be able to change or update any of that information.

ACN Recognition Award Update-Dinah Gygi

The Advisor Award has been renamed as the ACN Recognition Award because it can be awarded to anyone who is an ACN member, not just an advisor. Nominations will be accepted starting today and will continue to be accepted until October 13th. Nominations can be submitted via email to Dinah Gygi at dinahg@uwm.edu. Members can be nominated by a colleague, a student, or by themselves. November 11th will be the deadline to have all materials submitted. At the meeting on December 19th, the winner will be announced. The committee is also considering changing the award that accompanies the prize. Currently the award is \$500 to be used for professional development; however, the committee is considering raising the amount, as well as making it a cash prize.

Criteria for the award are as follows:

- 1) Outstanding Service to Students
- 2) Comprehensive Knowledge of School/College and the University
- 3) Positive and Supportive Relationships with Students
- 4) Involvement and Appreciation for the Profession of Student Services

TARC: Jonnie Dvorak, Kate Ranft

Jonnie Dvorak and Dr. Kate Ranft from the Tutoring and Academic Resource Center gave an update on the services TARC provides and also how to assist students with scheduling a tutoring session. TARC is located in Bolton 180 and provides several different types of tutoring including: group sessions, walk-in assistance, online tutoring, supplemental instruction and study groups. To schedule a session, students should go to www.uwm.edu/Dept/TARC and click on the star that says "appointments" in the middle and follow the instructions from there. If anyone has questions about tutoring, or if a student is looking for tutoring in a class that doesn't currently have tutoring available, you are encouraged to contact TARC at tarc@uwm.edu or by calling (414) 229-2779.

Athletics: Deanna D'Abbraccio, Tom Vollman and Steve Lautz

Tom Vollman and Steve Lautz discussed the NCAA eligibility requirements for student athletes. They also reviewed two different forms that student athletes need to fill out at some point with their advisor. They stressed that students should have the Study Verification Form filled out when they get to their advising appointment and also that they should be making regular appointments with their advisors and not just walking in at any time they want. If student athletes are not following this procedure, the athletics department would support an advisor asking the athlete to follow the correct procedure by making an appointment and filling out the form before arriving for the appointment.

Announcements:

Kim Pietsch-Spanish Department has withdrawn GER on two courses, Spanish 204 and Spanish 365. There may be more GER course changes to come due to North Central Association accreditation review.

Gail Gilbert-The Study Abroad Fair is to be held on September 27th in the union and new online application is available.

Gloria Kopke-Introduced Jason Kemp as new OARSS Advisor.

Seth Zlotocha-The Enhancing Advising Committee will be meeting in early October to discuss new projects and initiatives for the year. An email will be sent out in the next couple weeks with details of that meeting. Contact him or Kristin Roosevelt with any questions in the meantime.

Lori Sieckert- PantherProwl will take place on Sunday, October 15th for anyone interested in participating.

Our next meeting will be October 17, 2006 in EMS E180.

Respectfully submitted,
Julia McConnell
ACN Secretary/Treasurer

Members Present:

Sorry everyone, my first mistake as secretary was that I forgot to bring the sign-up sheet. I will be more diligent next time. I apologize.