College of Business General Faculty Meeting  
October 11, 2013  
Minutes

The general faculty of the College of Business met on Friday, October 11, at 9:00 a.m. to address three proposals concerning the bachelor’s and MBA programs.

The original proposal on the age of undergraduate courses was modified to clarify that the courses in question are business courses and that we do not plan to have courses outside the CoB reviewed by department heads outside the college. This proposal was brought from the CEC to allow for consideration of changes in course content that may occur over many years.

The MBA GPA proposal was changed to clarify that the 3.0 GPA minimum applies at the point of graduation. This proposal, also from CEC, was intended to avoid situations where students earning low grades in MBA courses raise their GPA by taking courses numbered 450-499 or courses outside the CoB.

The lower division requirements proposal was modified to require a 2.5 GPA rather than 2.0 GPA for the listed courses. Technical difficulties with implementing this proposal were raised.

After some discussion and amendments, the following statements were approved by a majority of those present.

- **Age of Undergraduate Courses:** Business course credits earned within the preceding ten years may be applied toward an undergraduate degree from the College of Business. Business course credits completed more than ten years prior to the degree application will be reviewed by the course department head and dean (or a designee) to determine their suitability to satisfy current degree, major and minor requirements and learning objectives.

- **GPA in MBA courses:** The Graduate School requires that students maintain a grade-point average of at least 3.0 in all courses taken as a graduate student, as well as a 3.0 grade point average in all graduate courses taken as a graduate student at NMSU. The MBA program requires, in addition, that every candidate for the MBA degree must graduate with at least a 3.0 grade point average in all courses required for the basic MBA degree.

- **Lower Division Requirements:** Business students must earn at least a 2.5 GPA in the following group of classes: BUSA 111, BCIS 110 (or CS 110), ACCT 221, ACCT 222, ECON 251, ECON 252 and A ST 251/311 (or STAT 251). Business students will not be allowed to begin upper-division business course work until this requirement is satisfied.

The meeting concluded with some comments by Kathy Brook on her recent appointment of an interim research associate dean and the search for an assistant dean. She argued that these are necessitated by the fact that delaying appointments would leave too many issues unattended.