

COUNCIL ON ACADEMIC ADVISING
March 5, 2007
Minutes

Attending: Joanne Berg, Kathy Christoph, Jeremy Goldstein, Jeff Hamm, Christina Klawitter, Leslie Kohlberg, Liane Kosaki, Lynn Maki, Laurie Mayberry, Jo Meier, Mary Mercier, Michele Mickelson, Mary Schey, Melanie Schneider, Wren Singer, Greg Smith, Jim Steele, Judith Strand, Julie Stubbs, Doug Tiedt, Tim Walsh and Stacy Walz

A. February Minutes: Approved

B. Announcements

- CIC Academic Advising Administrators Conference – E-mail Julie if interested in attending
 - UW-Madison to host next year. Need to locate funding and create a committee to organize the event.
- Liberal Education for a Lifetime Conference, March 15, 2007, Pyle Center

C. Reports

- MACAA might be interested in partnering with CAA to offer general advisor training
 - SOAR Training will be doing a two-hour session which will not include general advisor training. This will be done as a pilot.
- Registrar's forums will provide information on Timetable training
- Transfer student work group will meet March 16
- Provisional subcommittee for advisor training: Lynn Maki, Greg Smith, Jeff Hamm, Tim Walsh and one additional person from Cross College

D. Future Directions – Ideas

- Reaccreditation self-study and report – have a role
- Assessment of advising
 - Work more closely with APA, Assessment Council
 - What does successful advising look like?
 - What do students really need from advisors?
- Assessing advisors' work needs – 2007
- Advisor training
 - Take over non-SOAR related advisor training (MACAA-CAA collaboration)
 - Minimum competencies for advisors – Certificate through OHRD?
 - Strengths, background and training of advisors – conversation
- Advising message
 - Align advising mission statement and guiding principles with campus strategic plan, "Wisconsin Experience"
 - Importance of "exploring" in the freshman year
- 1st year advising and resources—need working group?
 - Put something on student ID card - where to go after SOAR for advising
- Technologies to enhance advising
- Career and academic advising—better integration
- Online placement testing

- Need VP for Advising? Point person for advising on campus to mandate resources
- Top Ideas from group:
 - Advisor Training
 - Defining our message
 - Reaccreditation – Christina Klawitter, Julie Stubbs, Judith Strand
 - Technology

E. Next Month

- Parent Program – Nancy Sandhu

F. Next Meeting – Monday, April 2 at 10 a.m.