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University of Minnesota, Morris
Scholastic Committee
Minutes # 2, 9/16/2008

The Scholastic Committee met on 9/16/2008, in IH 202. Members present:

C. Cole, J. Deane, D. DeJager, S. Haugen, B. McQuarrie (Chr), L. Meek (Secy), J. Nellis, J. Schryver, C. Strand

1. Minutes from 9/16/08 were approved.
2. Catalog copy for which Scholastic is responsible was edited by DeJager and Strand and the committee reviewed and approved the following edits.

P 56, University of Minnesota Degrees: no change to 07-09 copy.

Pp 9-10, Freshman Admission and Standardized Test Scores: all references to SAT scores removed because a) ACT scores are the only admission test score approved by Assembly; b) we use the ACT score to determine placement in English courses; c) ACT generates a yearly report of enrolled freshmen at UMM who took the ACT which contains valuable information about our incoming class each year.

Pp12 Column 2 to page 14, Registration and Orientation. Understanding how transfer of credit works: completely rewritten for organization and clarity.

P 44, Academic Integrity: no changes to 07-09 copy.

P 37, Repeating a course: 'registrar' is replaced with 'transfer specialist' since the registrar no longer reviews transfer courses.

P 43, Academic Progress Requirements: minor changes for organization and clarity of policies and procedures related to probation and suspension.

3. Forming the Academic Integrity Subcommittee was deferred, since no students were present.
4. Oversight of Admissions was discussed and it was determined that the Secretary would send out copies of data collected over the summer and early fall about incoming freshmen, transfer students, conditional admits, and questionable admits and denies. The committee will begin to look at the data, determine questions to be asked of Admissions, and eventually will prepare a report for Assembly based on their meetings with Admissions. It was determined that the discussion would be focused on the admission of students, and not on enrollment management or graduation rates.

The committee was adjourned. The next meeting will be on Monday, Sept. 22 at 1:00 in IH 202.