Academic Programs Committee – April 19, 2010

- Approved new Health Science degree proposal presented by Deby Cassill. Vote was 3 in favor, 0 opposed, 1 abstention. The committee made a number of substantive suggestions regarding intellectual coherence, arrangement of tiers, and sequencing of courses. Approval based on understanding that the program will go into effect in Fall 2011 once the kinks are ironed out. Forwarded to Dean Biafora.
- Approved unanimously with minor changes Melanie Whitmore’s proposal for PHY 2020 – Conceptual Physics. Forwarded to Dean Biafora.
- Approved unanimously with minor changes Melanie Whitmore’s proposal for BSC 1005 – Principles of Biology for Non-Majors. Forwarded to Dean Biafora.
- Approved unanimously with minor changes Melanie Whitmore’s proposal for IDS 2XXX – Introduction to Health Professions. Forwarded to Dean Biafora.
- Approved unanimously with minor changes Chris Meindl’s proposal for EVR 6200 – Wetlands, People and Public Policy. Forwarded to Dean Biafora.
- Approved unanimously with minor changes Chris Meindl’s proposal for GEO 3352 – The Human Footprint on the Landscape. Forwarded to Dean Biafora.
- Tabled two proposals from Martine Fernandes to combine language courses and labs. We understand that language students frequently misregister for classes and labs. The proposal submitted is unworkable since it would affect the entire USF system. Two options to consider: 1.) Make substantive changes and create new course numbers; or 2.) Drop the lab altogether. Either change would also require a change in the catalog language describing the language minors.