**Business Analytics & Information Systems**

3/27/14

12:00pm-1:45pm

Kalmanovitz #142

Attending: Steve Alter, Tom Grossman, Moira Gunn, Steve Huxley, Vijay Mehrotra, Steve Morris, Mouwafac Sidaoui. Wilma Kay: note taker.

Regrets: Paul Lorton

The meeting began late.

**Approval of Minutes**

Huxley made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected with a second by Alter.

**AACSB**

Sidaoui mentioned that Dean Webber asked FDC to adopt quantrants and asked all the chairs to go to Florida for an AACSB training in June.

**Retreat:**

Sidaoui asked for suggestions for people to invite. He would like to invite Francisco Gamez, Melissa Lincoln, and already has invited the Dean. Suggestions, comments and discussion ensued. Matt Dixon has not been introduced to the department as of yet. Discussion of potential invitees, followed with further discussion of the analytics programs and both Master’s and Bachelor Degree programs. From those discussions, Vijay offered to present a career ladder from his own sense of the trajectory for analytics.

**BSM**

Morriswill champion the two-unit course 303 and Tom was going to teach the 4-unit 306 this summer depending on the units being part of his course load. Grossman has sent the Dean his thoughts. He does not think we can meet BSM standards right now as staffed, as we need full time faculty associated with it. Overload and in-load issues discussed. We have two courses in 5 campus locations. The provost wants to leverage full timers and apparently switched positions from allowing in-load to over load, during the summer, even though the students in BSM are required to go to school in the summer. However if students were required to go year around, it would follow logically that the department meet that need. Tom has gone to the Dean reiterating the importance to BSM success with this first course. He feels that it needs to be a really great course with concerted investment. In anticipation of teaching the course, he has already visited the class to introduce himself. Agreement was strongly felt that curricular decisions need to be supported as well as the corresponding development of the adjuncts. It is not just our department that is going through this chasm of necessary support. Tom has his deadline for whether he will teach the course or not. It was to be noted and reflected in the minutes the following statement:

*The BAIS department will not accept responsibility for the outcome of this class unless support, and an investment for success are fostered. It appears that the University has made commitments that is cannot manage.*

*Alter asked when are they going to cancel BSM.*

The importance of Adjunct development was discussed and the concerns over the long history of teaching quant courses.

**BSM Specialization courses**

Morris suggested teaching the three courses below for the specialization.

 1. BSM 362 - Information Systems Strategy, Architecture, & Design

 2. BSM 460 - Database Concepts & Applications

 3. BSM 461 - Systems Analysis & Design

+ 4 credit BSM elective course.

**BAIS Faculty Search Update:**

Tom and Mike Duffy have Skyped with 4 candidates. One really solid candidate.

Tenure track for assistant professor in analytics with goal of focus in IS.

**SOM Faculty Advising and WebTrack** (for faculty who teach UG)

With Deanna Pachinger. Deanna went through the SOM Faculty advising training.

**BSM Specialization courses**

Update from Mouwafac for Dept proposal for BSM

(See email following the meeting)

*Colleagues*

*Although we had a late meeting start, I think it was a great meeting. After the Skype interview with one of our candidates, I met with:*

*·         AD Stackman, I discussed with him the department proposal for BSM, he agreed to our proposal that we will offer ONLY;*

*1.       BSM 362 - Information Systems Strategy, Architecture, & Design*

*2.       BSM 460 - Database Concepts & Applications*

*3.       BSM 461 - Systems Analysis & Design*

*+ 4 credit BSM elective course. Thank you Steve Morris for the great suggestion!!!*

*·         Dean Webber and discussed with him our immediate need to act FAST on hiring faculty for our dept. He said he will move quickly.*

*·         Dean Webber and we talked about Grossman in-load teaching in the BSM, he sees the “need”, he is contacting Jenny to discuss this in-load issues for all BSM summer offerings; he will get back to me shortly.*

*Thank you all for your great support. I look forward to finishing the agenda points that we did not discuss today, and to start the brain storming session on May 12 for the Business Analytics major.  Best, Mouwafac*