**Department Meeting: Business Analytics and Information Systems November 5, 2014- 2:00pm-4:00pm Room 399 Kalmanowitz**

Attending: Mouwafac Sidaoui, Steve Huxley, Paul Lorton, Moira Gunn, Tom Grossman, Steve Morris after his class, and Paul Intrevado

ITEMS:

**Approval of Minutes**: Gunn motioned to approve the August 14th, 2014 minutes. Huxley seconded, and all were in favor of approving.

Sidaoui began the meeting mentioning that both Alter and Oberstone were not going to be attending; Matt Dixon is presenting a paper, Vijay Mehrotra will be calling in, and both Intrevado and Morris would be arriving as soon as their schedule allows.

**BAIS Faculty Search Fall 2014**-Sidaoui met with Dean to talk about another MSAN position split of 50/50. This arrangement has not worked very well for the BAIS Dept. One position is solid and we should know about the possibility of the second position soon. JP is helping with job description .Coverage issues are compounded with sabbaticals and AQ faculty teaching in summer. UPC has a proposal in the works to have classes count during summer since BSM runs year around. BAIS is now sharing load with OBL for summer with Sidaoui working with Linda Henderson. Discussion followed around expectations of faculty who teach during the summer

**Business Biotech-**Gunn gave the following updates to the group:

* Washington DC Intersession has 22 students USF's Bio-Business program named one of the 26 Global Bio entrepreneurship Programs
* Gunn is President elect of Siber - The Society of International Bio entrepreneurship
* Siber president will be visiting USF 11/21 Annual meeting of SIBER will be held at USF June 2016
* Bio-Business courses have been approved as electives for the Masters of Healthcare
* Informatics MPA masters in Healthcare is looking at BIO-business courses as electives
* New Intersession class has been renamed Bio entrepreneurship and the SF Bio cluster out of courtesy to existing Silicon Valley Immersion.
* Nola Masterson's cv and intersession class info were distributed

Discussed was the concern for enough students registering for Nola Masterson’s intersession class mentioned above. Mouwafac mentioned that what he sees works best for part time MBA students is half day Fridays and Saturdays and best to advertise the class with a presentation during dead hour.

Grossman is on the MBA task force. Gunn will email plan for BIO track

A discussion followed over that many of the MBA students are finishing early and Tom adding it is an opportunity to take advantage of

Mouwafac suggested with new MBA changes to come and more classes as an opportunity to remarket. Gunn offered her help in pulling together an advisory board

**Concentrations** discussed currently 28 core classes and 12 concentrations. The part time MBA is hurting. Discussion followed how the program needs to be both re-examined and accelerated. We need to really sit down and look at what has changed and what the outside world is looking for.

**Math 106** Update-Huxley reported from meeting with Jennifer Chubb and will make the respective changes in the pre-test. Lorton mentioned the tutorials used by Chubb flipping the classroom. Discussion followed on standards, generic spreadsheets, excel and building solid foundation of skills. Huxley has been working for the last three years with the Math Department for a consistent and coherent standardization of skills necessary for students going from 106 to 204. Make any suggestions to Huxley.

**AACSB & BAIS Dept**: Mouwafac has met with Jason Lyons and will be reaching out to you all for completion of forms.

**BSBA Analytics Major Updates**: The Dean has spoken to him regarding discussions with the hilltop. The provost does not want more undergraduate students on main campus. What we need to do is help students declare their major. Right now the dept is stretched too thin. An MBA concentration in analytics is encouraged.

Lorton expressed the possibility of an IS major with Grossman expressing the perception of the lack of qualified faculty to do that. Lorton took exception to this statement particularly as it related to own qualifications. Grossman explained that AACSB is being more aggressive about AQ status of faculty with PhD's outside the discipline they teach in. Professor Gunn came back, after Grossman's comment regarding her own qualifications within AACSB, that she had a lot of evidence that would help AACSB accept her qualifications in IS and expressed concern that the school have a mechanism to make them visible rather than rumors open to interpretation. Lorton was glad this information was shared, at least in the open.

**Faculty Committee Services**: The Dean would like to be updated on what committees faculty are currently serving including term and when started. Sidaoui will be emailing a Survey Monkey link asking for that information with the deadline of Thanksgiving.

**UG advising**: Sidaoui reported that all advising has been moved from CASA other than their assigned success coaches. Tom asked what CASA's role is then

Tomorrow Sidaoui is meeting with Dean Liz and Marcello Camperi regarding the two faculty lines. The need for more faculty in BAIS is under discussion. There is some tension around allocation between MSAN and BAIS. He will share outcome.

**MSIS updates:** from Steve Morris.

Steve noted that:

* Dean Davis has written to AACSB exempting MSIS
* He has requested retreat monies to work through curriculum issues with revision of course offerings. Discussion of retreat invitees followed.
* The program would become a 15 month program after department and GPC approval
* He Would like to add two additional concentrations: business focus and Analytics
* He would like to open up the program for full time international students

Morris also mentioned that he has created rubrics aligned with ACBS guidelines so the rubric ties in with the standards. Additionally the program has grown from last year.

Grossman and Mehrotra will launch a spring analytics course. ////???

Paul Intrevado is piloting a course with Chris?????