Admission & Retention Policy Review Committee
March 1, 2004
Minutes

Members present: Pat Mitchell, Chair, Pam Burton, Lee Grubb, Gary Levine, Rick Niswander, Chair of Faculty Senate, Henry Peel, Larry Seese, Jan Tovey

Pat Mitchell called the meeting to order at 2:00 pm.

The approval of the minutes from the November and January meetings was postponed to the next meeting.

Rick Niswander, Chair of Faculty Senate was in attendance to bring the topic of the University Excused Absence Policy before the committee for discussion of possible updates and changes. He stated that there were two major points of discussion: 1) What is the interpretation of the current rule as stated in the undergraduate catalog? 2) Is the current rule as stated in the catalog what we want/desire to have as the official policy? Dr. Niswander asked the committee to address question (2) on behalf of the Faculty Senate and make a recommendation to the Senate. Discussion ensued of the various interpretations of the existing rule and possible changes for consistency and clarity of the procedure for both students and faculty.

The committee agreed on a basic change of language for the procedure; the Chair will draft this statement and send it to the committee members for comments.

The rest of the agenda was held until the next meeting due to time constraints.

The meeting adjourned at 2:55 pm.