Academic Standards Committee  
Friday, September 8, 2017  
2:00 pm, in Museum Bldg. Rm. 318

In attendance:  
Members: Anushka Burde, Amy Koplin, Brent Wolter, and Rebecca Bosh  
Ex-Officio: Laura McKenzie, JoAnn Hertz, and Corey Zink

A. Voting of Minutes for April 28, 2017:  
Wolter moved for the April 28, 2017 minutes be accepted, Bosh seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously approved. Bosh will email to faculty senate final minutes.

B. Information for Committee: November meeting has been moved to Nov 3, 2017 at 1pm in the Museum Bldg.

C. Add/Drop Dates:  
Reminder: Changes to this policy will reflect in 2018 academic year. Currently the policy allows students to add/drop classes 2 weeks after the semester start date. An increase in students viewing this policy as the last possible day to start class has occurred. A large amount of content can be missed and it is to the disadvantage of all involved. Most faculty were unaware they could drop student due to absence on the first day of class.

After reflection on the issues we have had with add/drop dates in the past, the committee felt that if faculty were knowledgeable about their own ability to drop students who miss the first day of class this will not be as big of an issue in the future. Verbiage was added to the ISU registrars website and department chairs have been reminded of this policy. The committee decided to leave the policy unchanged at this time. Monitoring of this issue is needed.

D. Academic Probation Policy:  
Changes proposed
- Credit Limit- (no limit- 18 max)
- Remove Probation II- currently (347 students)

Zink will bring in data from his dissertation showing correlations between limited credit hours and decreased graduation rates. Reducing credit load also has a negative impact on students financially. Zink also has data to support probation II is a clear predictor of failure to graduate. Zink will compile data and share with committee. The committee will review prior to the next meeting. Once we decide on a course of action we need to revisit the
re-admission policy/application process. McKenzie will draft new verbiage for the policy. Hertz will review literature regarding limiting credit hours and academic performance and report to committee at the next meeting.

E. Academic Calendars:
   • Feedback from registrars office was heavily considered
   • Wolter moved for the vote on accepting the current version of the 5-year calendar. Bosh seconded the motion. Motion was unanimously approved.

F. Items for Next Meeting:
   1) Review information from Zink on Probation Policy
   2) Review draft from McKenzie on Academic Probation
   3) Review current draft of Alternative Credit Policy and provide input- Laura will share on Google Doc

G. Adjournment