CBA Professional Development Committee Meeting  
September 12, 2001  

Minutes

Present:  Jim Beatty (Chair)  
Tony Cherin  
Chee Chow  
Ken Marino  
Bob Wilbur

Absent:  Ron Stampfl

1.  Jim Beatty, Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:00 A. M.
2.  The meeting agenda was approved as distributed.
3.  Minutes of the 8/29/01 meeting were approved as written.
4.  The latest draft of the committee’s 2000-01 annual report was reviewed.  
   Comments will be incorporated into the final report.
5.  A revised fall meeting schedule was distributed.  The committee will meet  
   10:00 am to 12:00 noon, in the Dean’s Conference Room on the following  
   Wednesdays: 10/3, 10/10, 10/24, 11/7, 11/21, and 12/5.
6.  The committee continued its discussion of a college working paper series.
   First, there was considerable support for a three-tiered approach to a  
   "working series" approach to be shared via the Internet.  The first tier  
   would consist of abstracts taken directly from actual papers that have  
   been PUBLISHED in the last three years (using a rolling three-year  
   period), beginning with 1999-2000.  We would ask all faculty who have  
   published in that time period to please submit a copy of their abstracts  
   (since almost all journals require an abstract along with the paper).  
   Interested readers could then contact these people for a copy of the actual  
   paper (in a manner to be worked out later in our discussions).  The second  
   tier would consist of abstracts taken directly from presentations presented  
   at professional meetings (that is, in some formal setting of a professional  
   meeting, not just a group of people getting together).  The third tier would  
   be for ideas or working papers not yet presented or submitted for  
   publication.  A website would be created, where interested parties could  
   go to the site and review all abstracts for tier 1 and tier 2.  However, only  
   those with SDSU-CBA affiliation would have access to the third tier of  
   materials (such as having a password).  This would allow those outside  
   the campus to have access to articles and presentations that have gone  
   through some form of editing (presumably), but not to see things that are  
   still in the working stages.  However, all of our own SDSU-CBA faculty
could access everything, offer suggestions, provide insights and reactions to the working papers, etc. This would protect the integrity of the College while still encouraging our own faculty to share their research, ideas, and thoughts among each other. There was very little support for using this forum as a way for generating points on the faculty development plan forms. There was much more support in providing a clearinghouse and encouraging people to do more research. (Summary by Jim Beatty).

7. The committee discussed how to provide research support for faculty. The conclusion was to form a “Research Support Team” that would consist of faculty willing assist interested CBA colleagues by sharing research experiences and insights, as well as providing feedback at various stages of research project development. The team would have a coordinator and the list of team members would be publicly available. Chee agreed to draft a call for participation and bring it to the next meeting.

2-8. Heather Honea joined the meeting. Heather presented ideas expressed by newer members of the faculty concerning a brown bag research series. There is strong support for such a series. A decision was made to begin in spring due to a full fall schedule of research presentations related to recruiting. Various formats were discussed. Heather will continue to gather ideas from other faculty members. The topic will be included in a future agenda.

6.9. The Committee will meet again on October 10, 2001 at 10:00-12:00 in the Dean’s Conference Room.

7-10. Jim Beatty, Chair, adjourned the meeting at 12:05 P.M.