Minutes from 8-25 SC.

Meeting convened with Baker, DeNoble, Doran, Saghafi, Salehizadeh, Toole; Ex-officio: Lackritz and Naughton present.

Toole was elected chair.

Lackritz asked for corrections to minutes of last meeting (May 12, 2006). Item two will be changed to reflect the results of the election of Mehdi and Howard to full terms and Alex to fill the remaining year of Badri’s term. Minutes were approved.

Jim gave an update on the AACSB AQ/PQ qualification requirements. The College needs to use this year (2006/2007) to re-assess our criteria for determining who is Academically Qualified (AQ) and Professionally Qualified (PQ). Our current point system and journal listing are part of Professional Development and may form the basis of the criteria we establish. The base year will be 2007/2008 and then the re-affirmation visit (for AACSB accreditation) will be 2012 (five years after the benchmark year). Jim was asked to collect AQ/PQ policies from other schools.

The Committee recommended that Jim conduct a faculty meeting to discuss AQ/PQ and ask for an ad-hoc group to be formed to discuss and recommend the criteria we will propose to the faculty for adoption. This grass-roots approach may help gain additional buy in to the process. Both Gail and Jim reported, from their recent experiences with AACSB, the expectation of an increase in standards over criteria used by SDSU in the prior re-affirmation process.

The Committee asked Jim to obtain a list of what AACSB considers our peer schools and our aspirant schools, so we can correspond with them about what they are using for benchmarks in setting AQ/PQ criteria.

The student course evaluation policy that was passed last year does not clarify what the policy is for summer school classes. Jim was directed to present language at the next Steering Committee meeting to accomplish this.

OLD BUSINESS

1. Departments should be asked to check whether their policies conform to College and University practices. A master list of such policies should be created and made available.

This item was read and the committee noted the master lists were being revised and discussed in the various departments. No further action discussed.

Howard Toole was elected as Chair for the 2006/2007 year, with a promise by Mehdi to serve next year if the committee so desired, after having had a year to observe and learn what the committee does.
Jim said he would send a list of dates that he has reserved for the SC to use the Dean’s Conference Room. (NOTE: From Jim’s email after the meeting, those dates are 9/15, 9/29, 10/13, 10/29, 11/17, 12/1, 12/15 from 1-3pm.)