March DAC Meeting

A DAC meeting was held on March 16, 2010 at 2 pm. Below I have summarized the major items discussed during this meeting.

PQ Definition:
David Boldt, Mary Kassis, and Diane Williamson are currently revising this definition. They will have a draft ready at the next DAC meeting.

Budget Update:
News is a little better than two weeks ago. We still anticipate some cuts, but not as bad as it could have been. I’ve been given the “green light” to move forward with our hiring plans.

Workshops:
A proposal was made that we conduct a couple of workshops in the RCOB before the end of the academic year (6/30/10). The first would involve “Preparing On-Line Courses” and the second would relate to “Teaching Large Classes.” It was suggested that faculty receive a stipend (a figure of $1,000 was recommended) to attend these workshops and/or help conduct them. It is likely that to earn the stipend a faculty member would be required to attend 4-5 days of workshops (perhaps on Fridays). Please let me know your interest in attending these.
Upcoming Dates:

April 1    UWG Big Night (April 1)
April 2    Assessment Workshop
          10 am – 2 pm
April 8    Executive Roundtable w/ John Harris
April 12-13 Visit with Jean Luc Castelein, ESCEM
April 12    Beta Gamma Sigma
          7:00 pm, Lower Level Z-6
April 13    BB&T Reception (tentative)
April 29    Spring Faculty Meetings
          11:30 am RCOB, 3:00 pm UWG
May 8      Graduation
          9 am A&S and RCOB

Fall 2009 Senior Exit Surveys

Thirty-four graduating seniors responded to our Fall 2009 Senior Exit Survey. Some of the highlights of this survey are as follows:

- 56% reported that they were “Very Satisfied” with their decision to earn a B.B.A. in our department. The other 44% noted that they were “Satisfied” with this decision.
- 59% reported that it was “Very Likely” that they would recommend our program to a friend. The other 41% noted that it was “Likely” that they would recommend our program.
- 53% reported that they were “Very Satisfied” with their major advisor. Another 41% reported that they were “Satisfied.” As we move to having full-time schedulers/advisors in the RCOB, we will track how these numbers change.
- 22 of 34 students reported that they planned to work in a company not owned by their family. Seven others noted that they planned to work on their MBA (this is up significantly from previous semesters).
- Seven students reported that they had already accepted a job offer.

As with previous semesters, the surveys remain excellent in our department. 94% of our graduating seniors reported that the quality of instruction in our department was “Good” or “Excellent.” One student noted, “The department as a whole is incredibly well staffed and I have been very blessed with having the opportunity to learn under them. I have had very diverse and experienced professors that have given me real life advice that I will use throughout my career.”

The complete surveys are available in my office for you to review at any time.

Tom G.
March 15th
Protest at the Capitol

RCOB Students Protest Recent Budget Cut Proposals

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