Academic Senate Curriculum Committee Report Fall Quarter, 2008

Well we had another busy quarter. This is "curriculum season" and we met for 23 hours this quarter including a 3 hour meeting during finals week.

This quarter we

Reviewed the proposal for an MA in Biology, and got it approved by the Senate,

Reviewed three course proposals as part of the Continuous Review process, and got them approved by the Senate,

Reviewed the 2009 catalog proposals from the Orfalea College of Business, and got them approved by the Senate,

Spent a great deal of time reviewing the two new program proposals from the Social Sciences Department (BS in Anthropology-Geography, BA in Sociology), and got them approved unanimously in the Senate,

Reviewed the 2009 catalog proposals from the College of Science and Mathematics, College of Liberal Arts, College of Architecture and Environmental Design, and the College of Agriculture, Food and Environmental Sciences, and requested further clarification from some departments, which is coming in,

Reviewed two thirds of the 2009 catalog proposals from the College of Engineering, and requested further clarification from some departments, which is coming in,

And best of all things, after much input and discussion, we have finished the proposal for the new USCP criteria! This resolution will be ready for the first Executive Committee meeting of winter 2009.

Next quarter we will get the new USCP criteria approved in the Senate, finish the reviews of the college proposals for the 2009 catalog and get them approved in the Senate, receive two new program proposals from Continuing Education in Disaster Management, receive a program consolidation proposal from the HCS Department, receive more course proposals for Continuous Review, and generally keep ourselves busy.

This quarter the chair had innumerable e-mail, telephone, and face-to-face conversations with the people involved in the above activities, and it all worked out well in the end!