Academic Planning Committee Review of Programs Identified for Elimination October 8, 2021

The Academic Planning Committee (APC) met on Thursday September 30, Friday October 1 and Thursday October 7. We reviewed the information provided to the committed on the programs being considered for elimination. Most of the information was comments from concerned individuals about program elimination. We have not received any 2-13 reports to date. We are concerned as a committee that the only criteria for elimination that we have been told is low enrollments. When we questioned that, other programs have low enrollments and they are not on the list for elimination we were told that those programs had been evaluated and were not up for elimination. We do not know the additional criteria that other programs had to not be considered for elimination.

The Departments of three of the programs that are being considered for elimination: MBA Finance, MBA Energy and PhD Statistics did not object to the elimination of these programs. The Academic Planning Committee would agree with the departments and propose that these programs be eliminated.

Our committee has been frustrated with the lack of information we have received and the short timeline to review the programs. Going forward our committee would like to have adequate information to review the programs for elimination. We do not feel low enrollment is the only criteria we should be looking at. What were the other criteria that were considered to have other low enrolment programs not be identified for elimination? We will need cost data, both cost savings and potential loss of revenue associated with program elimination. Of course, the 2-13 reports that were due October 1, 2021 should also be shared with the committee.