

Minutes for Academic History July 30, 2007

Attendees: Peter Sommers, Diane Meador, Barbara Hegel (UAS), Colleen Abrams, Brigitte Mayes (UAF), Lora Volden (UAA), Sandy (Mat Su)

1. We discussed the banner form SHR2MJR, we like it but would like the errors fixed. The errors occur when opening the dat file in excel. In addition, the last three columns do not have titles. We do not know what the information is being presented. UAS will approve SHR2MJR to move to prod once the errors are fixed. Lora was not aware of the errors when opening the dat file; she wants to look at the report again.
2. Colleen explained the new banner forms that Tim and she have been working on. The forms are meant to be a way to track students in work force credential programs. At this time UAS does not have any workforce credential programs. However, we might in the future. The screens will document what program they are in and start date and end date of each class. Colleen was looking for input from the other campuses regarding the screens. UAS and UAA feel like Colleen and Tim are on the right track.
3. I, Peter, wanted to discuss how we transcript occupational endorsements. We currently are tracking them through SHADEGR, however because these degrees are only approved by the president and not the Regents, they can not go under degree awarded. Degree awarded is defined by AACRAO as board of regnant approved degrees. Therefore, we decided to have the language of "Endorsement Earned" show up on the transcript. I, Peter, am going to write a task request that will have the wording Endorsement Earned attached to SHADEGR so when you award the endorsement it is transcribed properly. This was approved by all three MAUs.
4. Lora wanted to talk about the ability to have students be able to turn on/off their confidentiality through UAOnline. The Registrars had discussed this earlier. They had agreed, however, they decided there needed to be a limit on how many times and when a student could do it. I have attached the task request originally written for this. A time limit still needs to be decided on, the last suggestion is once every 3 months. A form will appear once the student logs on, once time has expired, giving the student their current status and the ability to change it.

Old business

The discussion from item four brought up further discussion regarding the confidentiality flag. The problem is that all MAUs are not treating the flag the same and what does the confidentiality flag mean? The problem is some students think it is just for directory information, but there are students who need or want more protection. At this time there is no way to distinguish the two different students with the same flag. A sub group is being formed that will include, Deanna, Peggy, Lora, Brigitte, Colleen, Barbara, Mary, Patrick, JJ, and Lael, to discuss the possibility of creating two flags, one for directory and another for those students who do not want any information given out. Some potential problems with the super confidentiality is how to help service students. This means all students who call or email any

university staff or faculty, we must first check banner to find out what the students confidentiality is. Second, we must ask all students for their ID number, those who do not know it, we can not help. We can not look them up in banner because we would need information from them like SSN and birth date, if the student had the super Conf. Then we would have inadvertently confirmed personal information. So to protect the few, we can not help any student who does not have their ID#. Another problem is distance students who can not come in person. How do we change or release their information, one idea is look for a signature on file, but again how do we really know. We also need to start looking at the student ID# like the SSN, because if that gets out, a student's privacy has been compromised.