

**Division of Behavioral and Social Sciences  
Economics Department Meeting  
September 23, 2010**

**MINUTES**

**Present:** T. Carter, M. Inouye

**Meeting began at:** 1:05 p.m.

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**Enrollment Update/Spring Scheduling/Wait Lists**

The department continued to have solid enrollments by census week. An ECON 1 section added by the end of the first week produced good enrollments as well with only one class meeting before the close of the add period.

M. Inouye raised the issue of the normal class size (NCS) again. The dean will provide him with the master file data on the history of class sizes in Economics. The NCS for Econ 1 and 2 is set at 44 which has been in place for at least 17 years.

The wait list will remain at 10 unless a faculty member requests a smaller wait list. M. Inouye prefers a small wait list.

**Curriculum Update**

The new course proposal for Global Economics will be reviewed by the College Curriculum Committee this semester. If approved, it can be offered next year.

**Department Pool**

The current pool of part-time instructors is adequate to support the program.

**SLOs/Assessments**

T. Carter requested an update from J. Soden on SLOs. The department believes it should be conducting 1 or 2 assessments this year.

**Plan Builder 2011-12**

T. Carter was given the 2010-11 department plan for review of the existing goals and objectives. A meeting of all department plan facilitators will be held soon to provide guidelines.

**Department Activities**

T. Carter's Vietnam Fulbright project will focus on the economic transition in Vietnam since the 1986 reforms. She will incorporate the materials into her courses and in particular into the global economics course once approved and placed in the schedule of offerings.

**Equipment/Supplies/MBBM Issues**

T. Carter and M. Inouye have yet to pickup their new laptops and were encouraged to do so as soon as possible.

M. Inouye stated that he believes that mold continues to be a problem not only in the modules but in the Cherry Tree offices. He also complained that water runs down from higher ground into the bottom of the CTOs.

T. Carter and M. Inouye were updated on the status of the SOCS building remodel.

**Meeting adjourned at:** 1:40 p.m.

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