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APC Meeting 12 September 2007—approved minutes

Present: Benson, Bowman, Darrow (chair), Diestelkamp, Duncan, Eggemeier, Jipson, O’Gorman, Patterson, Penno, Saliba

Excused: Bickford, Seielstad

Guest: Biers

1. Approval of minutes of 8/29/07

The minutes were approved with no changes.

2. Approval of revised draft of subcommittee charge

The revised subcommittee charge was approved unanimously without amendment.

3. Approval of subcommittee composition and selection process

The chair drew the committee’s attention to the suggestions from ECAS related to the subcommittee composition and selection process. The review of the ECAS suggestions raised several questions: 1) Does the subcommittee chair need to be a member of the APC?; 2) If the subcommittee is not chaired by a member of the APC does there need to be an APC liaison added to the subcommittee roster?; and 3) Does the process of selecting persons to fill the other spots need to be open to self-nomination? The committee recognized that the subcommittee chair needed to be someone with readily accessible administrative support. The committee also stressed the importance of being able to choose the best person for the job regardless of whether or not they are members of the APC. The committee deemed adding an APC liaison to the subcommittee roster to be unnecessary given the fortnightly reporting requirements in the subcommittee charge. The committee expressed great skepticism that self-nomination for remaining positions on the subcommittee would yield a larger pool of more qualified candidates. It did decide to amend the selection process document to include the following sentence: “The APC encourages the deans to use a widely consultative process to discern their nominees.” The amended subcommittee composition and selection process was approved by a 10-1 vote.

4. Letter to former WG members

The committee recommended a number of changes to the wording of the letter to former working groups members. The chair agreed to make the changes and submit an electronic version of the revised letter for committee comment.