Admissions and Financial Aid Policy Committee

Function
This committee shall review current policies in the area of admissions, recruitment, and financial aid, and shall make recommendations for strengthening the program that are consistent with the enrollment and fiscal goals set by the board of trustees and the college’s plan to achieve a diverse student body.

The work of the committee shall:
(a) Strengthen and monitor the quality of the student body
(b) Evaluate and enhance admissions and financial aid programs to support the racial, ethnic, socio-economic, and international diversity of the student body
(c) Review national and international trends that have implications for Beloit’s enrollment goals, including but not limited to
    - use of standardized test
    - evaluation of high school academic programs
    - legislation affecting college admissions
    - financial aid
Recommenofations from the committee may be made through the Academic Senate to the administration.

ii. Membership
The vice president for enrollment services (chair), three faculty members elected at large and serving for staggered three-year terms (one elected faculty member shall serve as vice chair of the committee, elected from within the committee); two students elected from the student members of the Academic Senate; the director of Admissions; the director of Financial Aid, and the director of First-Year Financial Aid/Senior Associate director of Admissions. Although not a formal member of the committee, the director of Institutional Research, Assessment and Planning will serve in consultation with the committee as needed.

Athletic Committee

i. Function
This committee shall recommend policy with regard to intercollegiate athletics, and shall work with the director of Athletics in administering the athletic program in keeping with established policy and athletic code.

ii. Membership
One faculty member appointed to a four-year term by the provost, who also will serve as the Faculty Representative to the Midwest Collegiate Athletic Conference; the director of Athletics; one staff member from the Department of Physical Education, Recreation, and Athletics of the opposite sex from the chair of that department, who shall be appointed by the provost in consultation with other members of the department of that opposite sex; and two students, one to be selected from BSC and one from the student academic senators.

Cultural and Community Affairs Committee

i. Function
This committee shall select, schedule, and promote campus events. The committee shall also address related issues, such as the setting of the events calendar, encouraging student participation, and building cultural collegiality.

ii. Membership
Two members of the faculty appointed by the provost, two student members of the Academic Senate elected by student members of that body, one student member of BSC elected by that body, the director of Student Activities, and the director of communications and marketing, who shall chair the committee.

Curriculum Oversight and Administration Committee

i. Function
This committee shall oversee existing academic programs, and advise the provost on matters pertaining to
academic administration. The committee shall operate in the following specific capacities:
(a) To evaluate and approve all new course and program proposals
(b) To design and promote curricular linkages among disciplines, programs, and all-college educational goals
(c) To devise instruments for the assessment of teaching and learning
(d) To monitor the number, breadth, and enrollment patterns of courses each semester

j Judicial Board
i. Function
This committee shall serve as an appeal board for eligible disciplinary decisions made by the dean of students. Appeals may be made concerning either the question of innocence or guilt or the appropriateness of the disciplinary action taken. It shall serve as a hearing body in cases where charges are brought by some person or body outside the Office of the Dean of Students (e.g., a student, resident assistant, member of the campus security force, etc.) or, in certain cases by the dean of students when the dean feels that he/she cannot provide a fair hearing for the defendant or that a community hearing is appropriate. The board shall hold an organizational meeting at the beginning of the fall term to review procedures. The organizational meeting may not be at a hearing at which a case is considered.

ii. Membership
Two faculty appointed from the membership of the Academic Performance Committee, one administrative staff member and one alternate selected by the vice president for Enrollment Services, neither of whom shall be members of the Student Affairs staff, one student academic senator, and one BSC representative. An additional faculty member, student senator, and BSC representative shall also be appointed to serve as alternates. The dean of students shall select from among these alternates when schedules preclude the permanent members from attending the hearing. The dean of students may also substitute a board member if the dean determines there is a perceived conflict of interest. The dean of students serves as an ex officio, non-voting member, except when the board is hearing an appeal board for disciplinary decisions made by the dean of students, although the dean may be present and serve as witness or prosecutor. The board shall elect a chairperson from its own membership, except that the dean of students is ineligible to serve as chair.

b. Experiential Learning Committee
i. Function
This committee shall periodically survey and report findings on experiential learning initiatives/activities among the faculty and staff of the college (not necessarily each year). It shall advise faculty and staff on issues related to program credibility and design, as well as on matters of pedagogy and learning styles. It shall provide guidance and support for campus programs and on the articulation of experiential learning at Beloit College; maintain an awareness of faculty/staff perspectives on issues related to experiential learning programs and initiatives; and conduct an annual audit of field-based experiences approved for academic credit and non-credit transcript designation, all-college standing programs (e.g. Science and Engineering Research Program), and those programs/courses governed directly by academic departments.

ii. Membership
Three faculty members appointed by the provost, one designated as chair of the committee, the directors of Career Services and Community-Based Learning, an associate dean of the college, one student academic senator, and one student appointed by the staff at LAP-C.

c. Interdisciplinary Studies Committee
i. Function
This committee shall develop and manage a range of standard interdisciplinary courses and major and minor concentrations, shall supervise self-designed interdisciplinary majors and minors.

ii. Membership
The associate dean of the college who shall serve as chair of the committee, three faculty members, appointed by the provost, and a student with an IDST major, also appointed by the provost. The associate dean shall also serve as the chair of the Interdisciplinary Studies Program. Faculty members shall serve for two years, and those
terms shall be staggered. The student member of the committee, who shall be a non-voting member of the Academic Senate and shall serve for a one or two-year term, shall participate in the evaluation of proposed courses, majors and minors but shall not participate in the evaluation of interdisciplinary major final reports, in discussions of honors, or in discussions of interdisciplinary studies prizes.

f. Committee on International Education
i. Function
This committee shall serve as the advisory body to the director of International Education on matters, including policy, related to International Education. In the area of study abroad, among others it will review proposals for study abroad programs (including exchange programs), select students for Beloit College study abroad programs, review and recommend policy concerning study abroad, and be concerned with the preparation of students for study abroad and follow-up upon their return. In the area of international students, among others it will be concerned with the integration of these students into the college and their preparation for life after Beloit. The committee will also address curricular issues, faculty and staff development, and other matters related to international education.

ii. Membership
Six faculty members, three elected at large by the faculty and three appointed by the provost; two students, one a member of the Academic Senate and one other student, both appointed by the provost (at least one of the two students will be an international student; and the director of International Education. Faculty members will serve a two-year term, these terms will be staggered. The committee shall elect its own chair.

g. Writing Committee
i. Function
This committee shall serve as the advisory body to faculty and staff on all matters pertaining to the writing programs of the college. It shall: 1) help to enhance the quality of the college’s writing program and promote the development of Learning to Write (LW) and Writing to Learn (WL) courses in a wide variety of disciplines, 2) develop advisory guidelines for LW and WL courses that will be reviewed by the Curriculum Oversight and Administration Committee, and 3) advise the director of the Writing Program

ii. Membership
The committee will comprise five members: Three faculty appointed by the provost, a student academic senator, and the director of the Writing Program. The committee will elect one member as chair.