

School of Accountancy Faculty meeting
February 1, 2016
2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
Agenda

- 1) Approval of the Minutes of November 30th, 2015
- 2) Changes in MBA offering/curriculum
- 3) AACSB (Hamid going to AACSB and APLG/FSA)-See time table
- 4) Grading issues to be addressed:
 - Should all faculty use plus/minus grading
 - If we decide to have a curve, what should be used in Acc201, Acc202, Acc409 and Acc418 that have different faculty members teaching them? How about Graduate courses?
 - Shall we have a subcommittee address this? Volunteers?
- 5) Curriculum
 - Change in Acc460 requirement (two topics taken together (460B and 460E/460C and 460D)
 - Learning objectives must be better defined and their effectiveness (assessment) must be measured.
 - Survey the effect of capstone from current students, See if they are achieving what capstone is supposed to deliver.
 - Continue to provide one-credit courses (e.g., construction accounting)- Should it be part of responsibility of future Directors
 - Continue supporting CPA-exam offering- Should it be part of responsibility of future Directors
 - Provide opportunity for faculty to go to a CPA firm (as June did) so they will get some experience. Do this for PhD students as well- Who are the faculty members that want this opportunity? One of the faculty members need to be in charge of this issue.
- 6) SOA visitor policy (in addition to the time and resources required, legal implications for Director with regards to foreign nationals getting visiting visas-Daniel and Pourjalali will draft the policy so a consistent policy will be followed by all SOA Directors)
- 7) Adopt the following policy. It will be additional work for future Directors. But we need to have consistency in how PhD students are assigned for teaching responsibilities.

Introductory & Managerial Accounting Subcommittee recommendation with regards to PhD students teaching (September 2014, then members: Liming Guan, Boochun Jung, Manu Ka'iama, Jenny Teruya, John Wendell, Mary Woollen, Hamid Pourjalali)

- a. ACC 201 will not be taught by PhD students who have not yet proven themselves to be effective teachers by successfully teaching ACC 202
- b. PhD students will earn the privilege to teach ACC 202 by:
 - i. attending all sessions of ACC 202 the semester prior to their teaching semester

- ii. successfully teaching 2 of those class sessions & being evaluated by the course instructor
- iii. proving they can speak English fluently enough to be easily understood by native English speakers
- c. PhD students are not allowed to prepare their own syllabi and must fully execute the “common” syllabus they are provided with
- d. PhD students may prepare their own exams and these exams must be approved by their mentor

8) Pass the changes in SOA introductory subcommittee

9) Report on Foundation accounts/budget.

10) Report on CPA BEC –Concluded on January 31, 2016

Outstanding items:

- A. Databases, PhD committee will be working on this.- No guarantees from Dean’s office
- B. AIS faculty hiring needs to be discussed with the Dean. Roger and David (W.) are welcome to see Vance when Hamid is in the mainland.
- C. A recruiting plan should be drafted (Recruiting committee?) as some faculty are expected to retire
- D. Ongoing grader support for faculty, Multiple Choice does not help with learning as much as problem solving helps
- E. Faculty members need to become more involved in Hawaii professional organizations.
- F. Visits with firms/organizations that are yet to be done :
 - Suggestions from the faculty*
 - Find out where our students do internships and visit those firms
 - Visit firms in other islands, including hotels and banks
 - Ask feedback from HSCPA about where to go.