

DegreeWorks Work Team Minutes for August 11, 2008

Group: DegreeWorks Work Team

Topic: Weekly Team Meeting

Date: August 11, 2008 at 8:30 am

Attendees: Colleen Abrams, John Allred, Carrie Coxon, Barbara Hegel, Janet Johnson, Patty Itchoak, Melissa McGinty, Craig Mead, Mark Nichols, Peter Sommers, Emily Thiekle, Lora Volden

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Agenda;

Web Localization Mock ups

. UAA due to developers 8/25

. UAS due to developers 8/29

. UAF due to developers 9/5

If we want Mark to review them before they go to the developers we need to send them to him as soon as possible.

Security

. Running advisors did not change existing security (still REG even though id on the list)

. When in PROD, how are we going to update ADV and REG access

. When in PROD, how often does advisor script need to be run?

When running the advisor scripts in, UAF had the same number of REG users after the upload as they had before the upload. Just the number of ADVX users changed. We will need to work with the Tech staff to determine the methodology we use for adding new people and for changing a person from one security level to another. Will also need to define the methodology for adding people to the ADV and REG roles. These will probably entail creating a spreadsheet of ids that should have these roles.

Majors in Degrees within DW

. Review pages 23-24 of the Banner Considerations Technical Guide (7.7.2.D02.P03)

Need more information on how this works. Peter was finding that it was combining majors into a single program (double major) for people who have two separate programs (double degree) on Banner. Do we want DW to show the same information in the same form as it is on Banner?

Ed NOTE: Question that comes to mind: What happens when a person has a BA program for one institution and second one for another institution? Will DW recognize the difference in level or will it combine the majors as it does for two programs at the same institution? Also, will it create a double major record when the two programs are for different colleges? Just some questions that need some research.

Grade Tables

. What does it need to include?

The grade table is used for the term GPA calculator. Probably should not include P grades in this. We need to back institutional decisions as to whether we want the term calculator available to students and/or advisors. This is an institutional decision. Mark said that about half have the GPA calculator available to students and the other half do

not. From what I have seen, the only things we need in the grade table are the transfer grades, the P grade and our standard letter grades (+/- if we are using that currently).

Status reports

- . UAA
 - . Not much progress this last week. Have a list of things to do and are working on it.
- . UAF
 - . Still testing. All people are back now from vacations. Changing from exclusively using attributes with the natural sciences to including the list of courses. Working on wording to make it clear to the students.
- . UAS
 - . Reviewing bachelor degrees
 - . Added rules to degree blocks
 - . Duplicate records caused a major problem with testing – very time consuming to do testing
- . Question about minors
- . Mark
 - . Email regarding FORCE
 - . UAA mock up looks good

Other Items

Next meeting: August 18, 2008 at 8:30 (audio-conference)

Mark has a plane to catch that day so it will probably be a short conference.