Present: T. Walker, (chair); D. Ford; R. Daniel; J. Davis; C. Clemenz for R.E. Sorensen; M. Deisenroth for R. Benson; M.A. Lewis; M. Denbow; T. Mills; T. Gardner; J. Penven; E. Webb; J. Crunkilton for S. Quisenberry; E. Kline; B. Wheeler, C. Wood; S. Ball for L.N. Chang; J. Mammei; H. Hart for M. McQuain; S. Hicks;

Absent: M. McNamee; C. Koziol; I. Glennon; A. McNabb; J. M. Kelly; G. Schurig; S. Saxton; L. Stuhldreher; G. Sagstetter.

Visitors: A. Cupp; W. Dean; W. Ashton; M. Paretti.

● Call to Order and Announcements
The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Tom Walker, Chair. There were no announcements.

● Adoption of the Agenda
Motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda as amended. Motion carried.

● Report from Commission Committees/Sub-Committees

Committee on Undergraduate Curricula
Thom Mills presented the October 25, 2006, Committee on Undergraduate Curricula Report. Motion was made and seconded to approve the “Second Reading”. Motion carried.

Motion was made and seconded to approve the report for “First and Second Reading” of October 25, 2006. Motion carried.

For “Second Reading”
Non-Uniform Approval

Courses Effective Spring 2007
BMVS 4104 Topics in Pharmacology (new)

For “First and Second Reading”
Unanimous Approval

Courses Effective Spring 2007
FIW 4624 Marine Ecology (new)
Courses Effective Fall 2007
Art 1404 Drawing I (new)
Art 1414 Drawing II: Life Drawing (new)
Art 1604 Principles of New Media Art and Design (new)
Art 2544 Ceramics I (revised)
Art 2644 Ceramics II (new)
Art 2664 Digital Photography (new)
Art 2704 3D Computer Animation (new)
Art 3564 Topics in Photography (new)

Discontinue Options and Designators Effective Fall 2009
Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry, Environmental Chemistry Option (CHES)
Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry, Polymer Chemistry Option (CHPS)
Bachelor of Arts in Chemistry, Materials Option (CHMS)
Bachelor of Science in Chemistry, Adhesion Science Option (CHAS)

Courses Dropped Effective Fall 2007
Art 1514 Basic Drawing
Art 2514 Life Drawing
Art 2504 Introduction to Digital Art and Design

Motion was made and seconded to approve the report of November 15, 2006. Motion carried.

For “First and Second Reading”
Unanimous Approval

Courses Effective Spring 2007
ALS 3134 Livestock and the Environment (revised)
ART 3854 Professional Studio Practices (new)
BC 2044 Buildings and Materials (revised)
PPWS 2004 Mysterious Mushrooms, Malicious Molds (new)

Courses Effective Fall 2007
ART 4544 Computer Animation Studio (new)
ART 4804 New Media Art Theory (new)
ART 4854 Theories and Processes of Contemporary Art (new)
ESM 4044 Mechanics of Composite Materials (revised)
PHYS 3355-3356 Intermediate Mechanics (revised)

Revised Minor Effective Graduating Class of 2009
Minor in Chemistry

Courses Dropped Effective Spring 2007
ART 4584 Professional Studio Practices
BC 2004 Principles of Building Structures Lab
University Curriculum Committee for Liberal Education – Cindy Wood presented the October 18, 2006 minutes. She indicated the first reading was approved for BC 3115-3116, Building Culture, A History of Construction, and since the October 18, 2006 meeting, the second reading has been approved. She pointed out the Planning and Direction Subcommittee headed by Susanna Rinehart has now been split into two groups, “Visioning and Defining” and “Data Analysis/Gathering”. She shared that VIEWS is still under discussion and many departments have still not submitted a Proposal. A motion to approve the Student-Defined Liberal Education Option at Virginia Tech will be submitted to the Planning and Direction Subcommittee for their review. Motion was made and seconded to accept the October 18, 2006 minutes. Motion carried.

University Athletic Committee – Candi Clemenz presented the April 27, 2006 minutes. A Fan Behavior Task Force is being initiated to examine the behavior of fans attending athletic events. She also presented the October 5, 2006 minutes. She reported that the 2006-07 NCAA Athletics Certification Review has begun. Minnis Ridenour serves as chair. Areas of review include: academic integrity, rules compliance, and equity and student welfare. A website detailing the review will be available at a later date. Norrine Spencer indicated there were questions regarding Policy #1035 Student-Athlete Conduct. She stated it is currently in the Office of the President for final review and approval. Motion was made and seconded to accept the April 27, 2006 and October 5, 2006 minutes. Motion carried.

● Other Business

University Honors System Report – Alan McDaniel presented an overview of the Virginia Tech Undergraduate Honor System. He observed that there are 200-300 cases on average each academic year. Of particular concern is a marked increase in reported cases of cheating. Plagiarism continues to be a significant problem. Another evaluation will be completed in Spring 2007. Several suggestions were offered as to communication methods to increase student understanding of the Honor Code. Tom Walker brought forth a motion to commission an AdHoc committee to discuss options to aid in Honor Code education. Alan will head the committee and anyone interested in the committee should contact Alan or Tom. Motion seconded and carried.

● The meeting was adjourned at 3:34 p.m.

Submitted by,
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