Present: T. Walker, (chair); D. Ford; R. Daniel; J. Davis; C. Clemenz for R.E. Sorensen; M. Deisenroth for R. Benson; M.A. Lewis; H. Hart for M. McQuain; M. Denbow; T. Mills; T. Gardner; C. Kozoil; I. Glennon; J. Penven; G. Sagstetter; E. Webb; S. Saxton; L. Stuhdreher; J. Mammei; J. Crunkilton for S. Quisenberry; E. Kline.

Absent: L. N. Chang, S. Hicks (with notification), J. M. Kelly, G. Schurig.

Visitors: A. Cupp; W. Dean; W. Ashton; K. Brown

• Call to Order and Announcements
The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Tom Walker, Chair. After member introductions, Tom reviewed Commission issues for the upcoming academic year. He indicated that planned discussions for future agendas include the SACS accreditation process, the impact of recent state legislation, and annual reports on Special Undergraduate Admissions and the Honor System. CUC will be working with the planned review cycle for restricted majors including both renewals and new requests. The Committee on Academic Policies, chaired by Mike Denbow, will discuss items such as grades not reported, audit policy and date of entry versus date of graduation issues. Tom also informed the Commission the first and second reading of the resolution to change the name of the University Core to Liberal Studies are scheduled for the first meetings of University Council. The Committee on Academic Support, chaired by Thom Mills, will address issues such as calendars from 2008-2012, providing class rosters with photos, process of placing restrictions on course offerings, and review of scholarships and financial aid.

• Adoption of the Agenda
Motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

• Report from Commission Committees/Sub-Committees

Committee on Undergraduate Curricula
Thom Mills presented the September 13, 2006. Committee on Undergraduate Curricula Report. Motion was made and seconded to approve the report of September 13, 2006. Motion carried.

For “First and Second Reading”
Unanimous Approval

Courses Effective Spring 2007
Art 1204 Principles of Art and Design I (new)
Art 1214 Principles of Art and Design II (new)
HNFE 4854 Internship in Exercise Science and Health (new)
HORT 2224 Horticulture Science and Industry (revised)
HORT 4704 Fruit Crops (new)
HORT 4714 Fruit Crops Laboratory (new)
APSC 3404 Poultry Evaluation and Selection (revised)
University Core Curriculum Committee – Cindy Wood indicated that there were no minutes for approval but shared that the first organizational meeting was held recently. Cindy reported a recent proposal for first reading from the new School of Construction that was returned for clarifications.

University Library Committee – Irene Glennon reported that there were no current minutes to present. She did note that an entire section of the library has been blocked off due to mold. Clean-up efforts are on-going with an expected completion date in October. The library does not have air conditioning and may have caused some of the mold problems. Currently there is information on the library home page and there should be information listed on the Virginia Tech Web Page soon.

University Athletic Committee – Candi Clemenz distributed minutes from the March 23, 2006 meeting. The minutes included an overview of Men’s Soccer as presented by Oliver Weiss, as well as a report on revenue sharing from ACC bowl receipts. Motion was made and seconded to approve the report from University Athletic Committee. Motion carried.

Committee on Academic Policy – This committee has not met. There was no report.

Committee on Academic Support - This committee has not met. There was no report.

Other Business - Norrine Spencer, Director of Undergraduate Admissions and Associate Provost, distributed the annual report of the current and historical activity for Special Admissions. She presented a brief overview of the Undergraduate Admissions Appeals Committee’s charge as well as its composition for the 2006-07 academic year. Thirteen appeals cases were considered with nine from athletics and four from academic departments. Two cases were denied and eleven were approved. Six of the eleven approved enrolled in summer school including, two who were required to do so, all are in good standing. The average GPA of the six enrolled is 3.129 with a range of 2.85 to 3.76.

For the 2005-2006 academic year, seven appeals cases were approved with all seven enrolling. As of the end of the 2006 summer sessions, the seven remain enrolled and in good standing. Their average GPA is 2.48 with a range of 2.25 to 2.85.

Norrine reported based on historic data that of the twenty-one students who were approved and who first enrolled in the three previous years, four have graduated, three left on first probation (one after this past spring) three left with GPA’s of 2.0 or better, and the remaining nine are enrolled in good standing with a range of GPA’s of 2.04 – 3.52.

In other business, Tom Walker reported that the Faculty Senate is currently working on a review of the current SPOI (Student Perceptions of Instruction Procedures). He also shared a suggestion that he had forwarded to the University Provost regarding a review of our current distance learning policies and tools.
He suggested that the university community should keep abreast of available instructional technologies and how the technologies can be used to assist us in issues related to classroom capacity and instructional delivery.

● The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

Submitted by,
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