Minutes
Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies
October 10, 2005
230 Student Services Building, 3:00 P.M.


Absent: M. McNamee; D. Ford; A. McNabb; P. Knox; R. E. Sorensen; M. McQuain; G. Schurig; I. Glennon; P. Spruill; C. Kozoil, absent with notification; R. Benson.


• Call to Order and Announcements
Bob Wheeler called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m. He asked if there were any announcements. There were none.

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

• Approval of CUSP Minutes of September 26, 2005 (previously sent electronically).
Motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes of September 26, 2005 as presented. There were no corrections and approval was unanimous.

• Report of Commission Standing Committees
Committee on Undergraduate Curricula
Mike Deisenroth presented the report of the Committee on Undergraduate Curricula for September 27, 2005 for Tom Walker. Motion was made and seconded to approve the report of September 27, 2005. Approval was unanimous.

For “First and Second Reading”
Unanimous Approval

Discontinue Concentrations and Designators Effective December 2007
Delete (IDST) Middle School English Concentration and Designator (MSEN)
Delete (IDST) Middle School General Science Concentration and Designator (MSGS)
Delete (IDST) Middle School Math Concentration and Designator (MSMA)
Delete (IDST) Middle School Social Studies Concentration and Designator (MSSS)

New Minors and Designators Effective January 2008
Interdisciplinary Studies (IDST PK-6 English Minor and Designator – IDEN) (new)
Interdisciplinary Studies (IDST PK-6 General Science Minor and Designator – IDGS) (new)
Interdisciplinary Studies (IDST PK-6 Math Minor and Designator – IDMT) (new)
Interdisciplinary Studies (IDST PK-6 Social Studies Minor and Designator – IDSS) (new)
Option Name Change Effective January 2008
B.S. Accounting and Information Systems Option
From Accounting and Information Systems Development Option to Information Systems Option
(Designator to remain the same - AISD)

Checksheets Effective for Students Graduating in Calendar Year 2008
B.S. Accounting and Information Systems – Information Systems Option (new)
Interdisciplinary Studies (IDST PK-6 English Minor (new)
Interdisciplinary Studies (IDST PK-6 General Science Minor (new)
Interdisciplinary Studies (IDST PK-6 Math Minor) (new)
Interdisciplinary Studies (IDST PK-6 Social Studies Minor (new)

University Core Curriculum Committee – Shep Zedaker presented the minutes of the September 30, 2005 meeting of the University Core Curriculum Committee. It was stated by Ron Daniel that these minutes were not complete. Some of the information such as the members present and absent, call to order and announcements had been omitted. A complete copy of the minutes will be obtained. Thom Mills questioned the request that ARCH 3115-3116, the History of Architecture I and II, in Area 2 and Area 6 effective Spring 2006, be restricted to ARCH majors only. Ron Daniel brought to attention that this was for first reading only, and this will get much further discussion. Thom Mills expressed his concern that all his Building Construction students are required to take that course, and that this was the first notification that he had received concerning the request for the restriction. Ron Daniel stated again that this was a first reading only and that there had been much discussion regarding this, and that there would be more as well. Thom Mills concern was the restriction to ARCH majors only, regardless of whether it is in or out of the core. Shep Zedaker also expressed concern that you could have a core course that was not open to everyone at the university, and that there is a freeze on course proposals, and the freeze was not only on courses coming into the core, but also on courses being dropped. Ron Daniel stated all these are good points and need to be brought to the attention of the Core Curriculum Committee.

Ron Daniel gave some feedback on the new Assistant Provost for Undergraduate Education position. This position will oversee resources and planning in the area of general education. He stated this will be an internal search, and will begin as half-time in January 2006 and will hopefully become full time later in 2006. He stated the position will provide a link to the Core Curriculum as well as the University Academic Advising Center, Common Book and Common Question. Ron Daniel will give a presentation to the commission in the near future regarding this position. Motion was made and seconded to accept the minutes of the Core Curriculum Committee of September 30, 2005. Approval was unanimous.

University Library Committee – There was no report.

University Athletic Committee – Candi Clemenz was absent today therefore, no report was presented. Norrine Bailey-Spencer stated that she believed the Athletic Committee has met. Candi Clemenz will be notified as to whether the committee has met; and, if the committee has met when will the minutes be available.

Committee on Academic Policy – Marvin Foushee noted that a chair for this committee has not been confirmed, and that we should have one sometime this week.
Committee on Academic Support - Thom Mills presented the report for the Academic Support Committee. No meeting has been held, but a committee membership has been constituted. Thom stated he had a discussion with the previous chair, David Vaughn regarding this committee. He stated this committee rarely meets unless there are specific items for discussion. The committee will only convene if business is needed. Motion was made and seconded to approve the report. Approval was unanimous.

• Other Business

Norrine Bailey-Spencer, Director of Undergraduate Admissions, presented the Admissions Appeals Committee report for 2004-2005. She discussed the cases from the past academic year, all which were in Athletics. The report consisted of the following information: During the past academic year, seven cases were heard, all from Athletics. Two were denied and five were approved, one with the condition that he complete specified courses in summer sessions. That student earned a 4.0 on six SH. This student and the other four are enrolled this fall. Of the seven appeals approved in the 2003-2004 years, four from fine arts, two from athletics, and one from a department, four enrolled. As of the end of the 2005 summer sessions, their GPAs are as follows: 2.91, 3.21, 3.30, and 3.14, all on at least 30 SH. There was no further discussion and motion was made and seconded to approve the report. Approval was unanimous.

• The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 p.m.

Submitted by,
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