Members present: Chuck Cornett, Cori Enright, Kris Mahoney, Abulkhair Masoom, Colleen McCabe, Provost Mittie Nimocks, Adam Stanley, John Tembei, Jason Thrun, Kay Young

Guests: Carl Allsup, Laura Anderson, Dominic Barraclough, Patrick Hagen, Karen Stinson

The meeting was called to order at 4:02 p.m.

The meeting agenda was modified to replace “Hybrid Course Policy” with “Proposed General Education Revisions” under New Business.

Approval of Minutes
Enright moved to approve the minutes from April 13; Masoom seconded. Motion passed.

New Business
Ethnic Studies Review
Discussion centered upon the program’s need for dedicated classroom space, as outlined in the self-study. In addition, the program’s future FTE needs and its role in university diversity initiatives were addressed.

Mahoney moved to recommend continuing the Ethnic Studies program; Masoom seconded. Motion passed.

Counselor Education MS Review
Discussion focused on professional development needs and the current enrollment dip being experienced in the program, as highlighted in the self-study. Barraclough mentioned the long-term vision of creating a community clinic involving graduate-level student counselors trained in a special counseling lab as part of their curriculum.

McCabe moved to recommend continuing the Counselor Education MS program; Tembei seconded. Motion passed.

Gay Studies Certificate
Since no representative was present to discuss this proposal with the committee, Thrun moved to table the proposal. Tembei seconded. Motion passed.

Proposed General Education Revisions
Cornett reported that the General Education Task Force’s new proposed general education model has been placed on the upcoming Faculty Senate agenda, even though the proposed changes have not been brought before APC. Given that this is clearly an
issue that falls under APC’s purview, the committee agreed that the proposed changes should be reviewed first by APC (and, for that matter, UABC).

Stanley moved that—since the proposed changes to the general education program clearly fall under the APC’s mandate (as per the Faculty Constitution and Bylaws) to make recommendations to the Faculty Senate regarding “the university's overall academic mission and strategy” and “short and long range academic plans (including curriculum, staffing, library and media resources, and other resources necessary to teach classes)” —the APC strongly recommends that the Faculty Senate table any action on the proposed general education changes until the APC has reviewed and made its recommendations about said changes in Fall 2011. Mahoney seconded. Motion passed.

Old Business

BAAS Progress
The revised proposals that were submitted to the committee addressed prior APC concerns regarding alternative delivery methods and departmental input on potential courses for partnerships with UW-Rock County and UW-Richland Center.

Enright moved to send the proposals forward to Faculty Senate; Masoom seconded. Motion passed.

Accounting – Official Summary
Mahoney moved to approve the summary, which was edited slightly for clarity. Enright seconded. Motion passed.

Political Science – Official Summary
Enright moved to approve the summary, which was edited slightly for clarity. Masoom seconded. Motion passed.

Teaching Education – Official Summary
Mahoney moved to table the Teacher Education summary; Stanley seconded. Motion passed.

Theater Update
UW System has apparently refused to accommodate the engineer’s request to fix the safety issues in the theater floor, for reasons that are not yet clear. Alternative options will continue to be explored to resolve this.

Meeting adjourned at 4:59 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Adam Stanley