UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM COMMISSION
MINUTES
May 4, 2011

Members Present: Alison Bunte, Shane Drefcinski (ex-officio), Bill McBeth, Philip Parker, Mike Sharkey, Chuck Steiner, Tony Thomas, David Van Buren (ex-officio), Kory Wein, Mary Rose Williams, Sheryl Wills, & Dianne Hanten (Registrars)

Members Absent: Jessica Donahoe, John Tembei, & Shane Stewart (student)

Visitors Present: Laura Anderson, Dennis Ciesielski, Bernie Harris, Marge Karsten, Dale Larson, Phil Sealy, George Smith

Chair Tony Thomas called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

1. Approval of the minutes of April 6, 2011 – Sheryl Wills moved to approve the minutes, seconded by Mike Sharkey and passed.

2. Announcements
   a. Associate Vice Chancellor David Van Buren – None

   b. Academic Planning Council – John Tembei was not present.

   c. Assessment Oversight Representative/General Education Director & Assessment Coordinator – S. Drefcinski – APC and UABC have requested to review the proposed General Education Model due to the budget implications from the writing emphasis and first year experience requirements. Shane would like UUCC today to either approve the proposed General Education Model or to endorse the inclusion of writing emphasis courses in the new general education model and the development of training sessions for writing emphasis courses over the summer by the Teaching and Learning Center.

      *It was decided to continue this discussion after the move to consent and new business items on the agenda.*

   d. Other – None

3. Move to Consent –
b. Document 10-177 Proposal for Changes to Existing Program – Social Sciences/Geography Environmental Science Minor
c. Document 10-178 Proposal for Changes to Existing Program – Social Sciences/Geography – Geography Major
d. Document 10-180 Proposal for Changes to Current Course – COMMNCTN 3330 Digital Imaging (Drop Course)
e. Document 10-181 Proposal for Changes to Current Course – COMMNCTN 3070 History of Imaging (Drop Course)

Mary Rose Williams moved to approve all documents, seconded by Bill McBeth. Motion passed.

4. New Business –

c. Document 10-186 Proposal for Changes to Current Course (ORO) – ELECTENG
   Alison Bunte moved to approve documents (b) and (c), seconded by Philip Parker and passed.
d. Document 10-187 Proposal for Changes to Existing Program – Business Administration Major/Sales & Marketing Communications Emphasis
   Chuck Steiner moved to approve document (e), seconded by Philip Parker and passed.

5. Further discussion on proposed General Education Model –

Mary Rose Williams made the following motion:
UUCC endorse the development of training sessions for writing emphasis courses by the Teaching and Learning Center over the summer of 2011, to serve all faculty who want to teach writing across the curriculum and desire to receive training to do so.

Philip Parker seconded the motion. After much discussion, the motion passed. Shane Drefcinski will bring this motion to Faculty Senate for their endorsement also.

Discussion continued about whether instructors of writing emphasis courses should
be mandated to take this training, whether writing emphasis courses should primarily be in general education courses or in the major, how writing emphasis courses will be defined and who will set these standards, and the order of UUCC, APC, and UABC reviewing the proposed General Education Model.

The next regular meeting of the UUCC will be held Wednesday, September 7, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. in Ullsvik Hall. Tony Thomas will be the convener of this meeting. At this meeting, the proposal for a new General Education Committee will be discussed.

The next UUCC General Education Meeting will be held on Wednesday, September 21, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. in 2007 Ullsvik Hall.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheryl Wills, secretary