Minutes of the Meeting of the University Curriculum Committee **November 16, 2011**

Bernard Mair convened the UCC at 1:30 in 200 Stuzin Hall.

Members Present: Bernard Mair, Damian Adams, Cory Armstrong, Jean Ballantyne, Kelli McCormack Brown, Margaret Carr, Tom Dana, Kenneth Gerhardt, Stephanie Hanson, Aida Hozic, David Julian, John Leavey, Angela Lindner, Wayne McCormack, Kevin Orr, David Pharies, David Reed, Edward Schafer, Venita Sposetti, Elaine Turner

Liaisons: none

Guests: Roxanne Barnett, Ann Goodson, Mark Rush, Joslyn Ahlgren, Jack Stenner

1. **Approval of minutes of October 18, 2011 meeting.**
   Minutes were approved as written.

2. **Update from Faculty Senate.**
   Dr. Julian reported that the medical schools proposal to reduce the number of required credits will appear on the next Senate agenda.

3. **Proposed change to the requirements for earning a BA in Philosophy**, **effective Summer B 2012**. Dr. Pharies explained this change is more representative of the discipline. Changes to current degree requirements can be made internally by advisors through course substitutions. This proposal was approved.

4. **Proposed change to the minor in Philosophy**, **effective Summer B 2012**. Dr. Pharies explained this change simplifies the minor while offering more choice and opportunity for specialization. This proposal was approved.

5. **Proposal for new Combined BA/MA in Philosophy, effective Summer B 2012**. Dr. Pharies presented this request to create a "standard" BA/MA program allowing students to take 12 credits of graduate courses as an undergraduate. The committee discussed that the creation of a combine BA/MA program only needs to be approved by the UCC if it is to be included in the undergraduate catalog. The combined degree form will need to be used when students apply for the combined degree. This proposal was approved.

6. **Proposed change to the Environmental Science B.A. Curriculum, effective Summer B 2012.** Dr. Turner presented this request to combine two categories (Policy and Administration) of courses into one. The requested change is in response to personnel issues and in no way dilutes the major. There was some discussion that the semester plan required courses from the "Environmental Policy" list which had been deleted when the combined "Environmental Policy/Public Administration" list was created. This proposal was approved with

the understanding that any ambiguities in the 8 semester plan with regard to the lists of courses would be cleared up.

7. **Proposed changes to the Agriculture and Natural Resource Law Minor, effective Summer B 2012.** Dr. Turner presented this minor change to reduce the number of required core courses from three to two and increase the number of optional courses from two to three. This proposal was approved.

8. **Proposed change to the Natural Resource Conservation Major, effective Summer B 2012.** Dr. Turner explained this proposal to increase the number of core courses from five to eight. This change will strengthen the program and will not create resource issues. This proposal was approved.

9. P**roposal for new Disabilities in Society Minor, effective Spring 2012**. Dr. Dana asked that this proposal be tabled pending a consult with HHP.

10. **Proposed changes to the Applied Physiology and Kinesiology Curriculum, effective Summer B 2012**. Drs. McCormack Brown and Joslyn Ahlgren presented this proposal to decrease the required number of internship hours from 600 to 520 and to change the grading from letter grade to S/U Option. UCC2 forms to change the grading will be submitted. This proposal was approved.

11. **Proposed revision to the Doctor of Pharmacy Curriculum, effective Summer B 2012.** The college of Pharmacy provided the necessary consultations for this proposal. There was significant discussion regarding how increasing the number of required credits for the pre-pharmacy track may affect students who are not accepted into the program. The committee is requesting that Pharmacy (a) provide a report on the admission rates into the program prior to this change and after it is implemented and (b) develop agreements with targeted majors that will accept students who are not admitted after their 2nd year. This proposal was approved with 13 for, 4 against, and 1 abstention.

12. **Request to change name of Digital Media Art program, effective Summer B, 2012.** Drs. Schaefer and Jack Stenner presented their proposal to change the name of the Digital Media Art Program to Art and Technology. This proposal was approved.

13. **Discussion Items**

   - Proposed Academic Calendars for 2012-2013 and 2015-2016: The committee approved the calendars and voted to remove the requirement for the UCC to vote on future homecoming dates. Any homecoming occurring outside of the month of October will still have to be approved by the Faculty Senate. There was one abstention from this vote.
   - UCC Policies: This item was not discussed

14. Items from the Academic Learning Committee (information only)
- Wildlife Ecology and Conservation

15. Items from Graduate School (information only).
- Proposal to change MS in Architectural Studies

16. Notice of proposed new undergraduate courses.
Design, Construction and Planning
- BCN4XXX – Design-Build Delivery Method – conditionally approved
- BCN4XXXC – Building Information Modeling – conditionally approved

Education
- EEX3XXX – Social Perspectives on Disability – conditionally approved

Liberal Arts and Sciences
- AMH2XXX – History of Sustainability - approve
- BSC2009 – Biological Sciences - approve
- GER3300 – Writing German Texts – conditionally approved
- GER4906 – Honors Thesis – conditionally approved
- INS3XXX – International Studies Perspectives – conditionally approved
- INS4XXX – Senior Research Seminar - approve
- PCB4XXX – Population Genetics - approve
- POR3700 – Introduction to Portuguese Linguistics - recycle

Engineering
- EEL4802 – Audio Engineering – conditionally approved

Veterinary Medicine
- VME4010 – Aquatic Animal Conservation Issues – conditionally approved

Agricultural and Life Sciences
- ORH2XXX – Sensory Gardening - approve

17. Notice of proposed changes to undergraduate courses.
Design, Construction and Planning
- DCP4930 – Special Topics - approve

Liberal Arts and Sciences
- ANT3451 – Racial and Cultural Minorities – conditionally approved
- BSC1920 – Biology Colloquium – conditionally approved
- IDS4942 – Sustainability in Action - approve

Agricultural and Life Sciences
- FNR4660 – Natural Resource Policy and Administration - approve

Engineering
- EEL3112 – Circuits 2 - approve
- EEL3135 - Introduction to Signals and Systems - approve
- ENV4121 – Air Pollution Control Design - approve

18. Notice of proposed new professional courses.
- none

19. Notice of proposed changes to professional courses.
Medicine – approve all
- MEL7934 – Elective Topics/Orthopedics
- MEL7952 – Elective Topics/Emergency Medicine

20. Notice of proposed new joint graduate/undergraduate level courses.
Engineering
- BME5XXX – Advanced Computational Methods for Biomedical Engineering – conditionally approved
Journalism – conditionally approved all
- MMC5XXX – Social Influence in New Media Environments
- PUR5XXX – Issues in Public Relations: Persuasion Theory & Research

21. Notice of proposed changes to joint graduate/undergraduate level courses.
- none

22. Notice of proposed new graduate courses (information only).
- BME6907 – BME Project
- BME6XXX – Advanced Diagnostic Radiological Physics
- BME6XXX – Advanced Therapeutic Radiological Physics
- BME6XXX – Radiologic Anatomy
- DCP6XXX – Cultural Resource Preservation Methods
- ESI6XXX – Fundamentals of Mathematical Programming
- FYC6112 – Military Families in the Community Context
- LAS6XXX – Ecological Principles
- PHA6XXX – Pharmaceutical Fraud & Abuse
- URP6XXX – Health and the Built Environment

23. Notice of proposed changes to graduate courses (information only).
- AEB6108 – Microeconomic Theory II
- AEB6182 – Agricultural Risk Analysis and Decision Making
- AEB6645 – Economic Development in Agriculture