

UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM MEETING
WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2006
4:00 P.M. - CN 233

MINUTES

Rod Decker called the meeting to order at 4:05 p.m. Attendance: Shauna Mendini, Terry Alger, Genell Harris, Lindsey Brown, Jim Brandt, Bart Reynolds, Vic Brown, Jeff Barnes, Kirk Fitzpatrick, and Lee Montgomery. Barbara Gray took minutes for Dianne Werber.

Rod welcomed everyone to the meeting. A concern brought up at Dean's Council was that many of the deans felt there was too much paperwork covering the large volume of curriculum changes needing to be made and suggested that a way be found to consolidate some of the items. Rod Decker stated that the UCC was just following policy. It was suggested that maybe consent items could bypass the UCC and just be signed by department chairs and deans. Motion was made to that effect and seconded. After much discussion, the motion was amended to request that Lindsey Brown create a one-page form for consent items, which after approval by the college curriculum committee, would then go to the registrar to be signed off. After that it would pass through the UCC for approval. In this way consent items would be handled efficiently and quickly. The amended motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

General Education Shauna Mendini stated there were only two items that were presented to the GE subcommittee for approval and both were denied. There was an ART proposal, as well as COMM 2080. Since neither were approved, no action was necessary on the part of the UCC.

College of Performing and Visual Arts

Shauna Mendini presented consent and substantive changes for the College of Performing and Visual Arts. THEA 3123 and THEA 3133 had changes in prerequisites. THEA 1540 and THEA 2540 Theatre Production Labs were to be added to the Theatre Arts Minor. AA 3010, AA 6010 were to be removed from the Theatre Arts Management and Education Focus, and numerous DANC courses had changes regarding the semester offered. Shauna made a motion that all changes be approved, Terry seconded the motion. The only discussion was the effective date of the changes - which is Fall 2007. Motion passed unanimously.

College of Humanities and Social Sciences

Kirk Fitzpatrick presented curriculum changes for HSS. As previously stated, COMM 2080 was denied GE status; therefore, no action was needed. COMM 2120 was a title change from Small Group Communication to Team Work, Decision Making, and Leadership. Motion to accept was made, seconded and approved unanimously. USHE R401, pertaining to a name change of one of the Communication emphases, was looked at next. Motion was made to approve, seconded and passed unanimously. Two topic courses were submitted as new courses; COMM 4600 Topic in Health Communication was changed to COMM 4504. COMM 4600 Topic in Family Communication was changed to COMM 4506. Motion was made to approve these changes, motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Kirk presented ENGL 2250. This item had been discussed previously and was sent back with questions. The proposal is to change the course from a lower division to an upper division course, ENGL 3110. After much discussion regarding the proposal submitted, whether more changes should be made or not, whether the cover letter was accurate or not, motion was made to approve this change from lower to upper division credit. Motion was seconded and passed with 1 opposed.

A Minor in Philosophy was presented by Kirk Fitzpatrick. He reviewed each course to be offered in the minor, and explained the importance of each. At the present time, he is the only professor of philosophy to teach the minor. The minor is 18 credits and none of the classes have a prerequisite. This brought much discussion as committee members couldn't understand how a freshman could sign up for a 4000 level philosophy course. Kirk stated that in this field it was a very common practice. PHIL 4910 Independent Research was changed to PHIL 4850 Undergraduate Research. After considerable discussion, Kirk made a motion that the minor be approved, motion was seconded and passed unanimously. There was some discussion that PHIL 3011 Philosophy of _____ be listed as a special topics course. Lindsey suggested that it would be easier for the student should they decide to transfer to another school, etc.

College of Science:

Terry Alger presented items from the College of Science. AGSC 4990 Agricultural Seminar was changed from a graded course to pass/fail and prerequisites of AGSC 1990 & Advanced Standing were added. AGSC 2890 Agricultural Internship and AGSC 4890 Agricultural Internship had changes in credit hours from 2-8 to 1-4. AGSC 1750, AGSC 2630, AGSC 2760 and AGSC 3750 all pertained to Horsemanship "truth in advertising." These courses contained description changes as well as contact hour changes. Motion was made to pass the above items; motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

BIOL 3370 and BIOL 3375 were presented for changes in the course description from spring odd years to spring even years. Changes to be effective Spring 2007. Motion was made to approve this change, seconded by Genell and passed unanimously.

CHEM 1110 was submitted for a change in prerequisite. Motion was made to accept the new course description, Kirk seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

GEOG 4150, GEOG 4500, and GEOG 4920 were presented with new course descriptions which contained prerequisite changes. Motion was made to approve changes, Shauna seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

GEO 3010, GEO 3110 and GEO 3170 were presented with prerequisite changes. Rather than use the wording "Advanced Standing," it was determined "Admission to the Program" would better fit the department. Motion was made to approve these changes; Genell seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

PSCI 3800 Dental Practicum was presented next. Three local dentists in the area will conduct this dental lab once a week. The only prerequisite is CHEM 1220. Motion was made to approve this new course, Jim seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

At this point, Dean Decker had to leave to attend another meeting and Lee Montgomery took over as chair of the meeting.

School of Business

Jeff Barnes presented CSIS 2010 Computer Applications. This is a state-wide course implemented by the Utah Business Deans for computer proficiency. BA 1000 Introduction to Business Careers (one-credit) is a new required course set up to help students understand future careers in the field of business. Motion was made to approve these new courses, was seconded and approved unanimously. The accounting minor was submitted for revision. Six hours of tax courses are to be removed and replaced with accounting courses to better meet the needs of students in the accounting market. Motion was made to approve the changes to the accounting minor; motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

College of Education Genell Harris presented items for the College of Education. Courses submitted for change in credit/contact hours are: EESL 4300; EESL 4310; EESL 4320; EESL4330; EESL4340; and EESL 4350. These courses change the credit hours from 2 to 3 and the contact hours from 30 to 45. Two courses were submitted for deletion: EESL 4335 and EESL 4345. EESL 4335 will be merged with EESL 4330 and EESL 4345 will be merged with EESL 4340. Motion was made to approve these changes, motion was seconded and approved unanimously. A new course was proposed: ELED 4000 Creative Arts Integration in Elementary Education. This course integrates the arts with the State Core Curriculum as specified by the James and Beverley Taylor Sorenson endowment. Motion was made to approve this new course; was seconded and passed unanimously.

College of Integrated Engineering and Technology

Jim Brandt presented MATH 2010 with a prerequisite change for clarification purposes. The new prerequisite is "a grade of C" or better in MATH 1050 or MATH 1210. CSIS 2500 was presented as a course prefix and number change to CSIS 2010 for articulation purposes. Numerous engineering changes were presented: ENGR 2240 had a name change from Surveying and Global Positioning to Plane Surveying and GPS. ENGR 2245 had a name change of Surveying and GPS Lab to Plane Surveying and GPS Lab. ENGR 3070 had a name change from Electric Circuits to Electro-Mechanical Systems, as well as a number change to ENGR 2270. ENGR 3080 also had a name change from Electric Circuits Lab to Electro-Mechanical Systems Lab and a number change to ENGR 2275. ENGR 3010 had a co-requisite change due to a number change from ENGR 3020 to ENGR 3015. ENGR 3020 had a number change to ENGR 3015. Motion was made to approve these changes; Jeff seconded the motion, motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting is scheduled to be held on December 6, 2006 at 4:00 p.m. in CN 233.

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

