**University Curriculum Committee**

Minutes of Wednesday, October 8, 2008

**Present:** Robert Adams (Chair), David Alvarez, Teresa Bacon-Baguley, Jean Barry, Martin Burg (Vice Chair), Maria Fidalgo-Eick, Nancy Giardina (Ex-Officio), Greg Mahoney, Mel Northup, Mark Pestana, Scott Rood, Bill Selesky (Student Rep), Kathryn Stieler, Bob Swieringa, Douglas Way

**Guests:** Penney Nichols-Whitehead (GES)

**(Meeting #6)**

Approval of the Agenda: approved

Approval of the Minutes: approved

Report from the Chair

ECS supported our change to the 30-day requirement

Go to UAS 10/7/08-if passed, could be enacted immediately.

Report from the Provost

1) NCA site visit is upcoming week.

New Business

AWRI Prospectus

Discussion proceeded.

***Action****: Motion made to waive the final plan requirement*

***Motion failed by majority vote .***

***Action:*** *Motion made to support prospectus with concerns*

***Motion failed by majority vote .***

***Action:*** *Motion made for not supporting prospectus for AWRI to become Unit status and waiver of the final plan. UCC Chair to craft a memo to ECS outlining the concerns causing the lack of support to be indicated by a majority vote of UCC.* ***Motion approved by majority vote.***

Discussion Items

Minors fulfilling a theme

GES representative brought discussion concerning minors counting as a theme.

UCC will work with GES to examine the theme student distribution for the themes and examine whether the theme student body is interdisciplinary.

Draft current policy regarding inter-disciplinary proposals: How to determine which colleges/deans review them?

Send final plan to all Deans and college curriculum committees involved. Ask for opinion for need to review, send comments to UCC (recommendations or not, support or no support).

***Action:*** Motion made for following communication for future proposals:

***“***Current UCC policy requests that multidisciplinary final plans and prospecti be sent to Deans of Colleges and College Curriculum Committees involved for comment within 30 days of receipt. Comments are either for support or non-support and should be sent to UCC for deliberation at the next UCC meeting following the 30 day period.”

***Motion to communicate the Environmental Studies Minor final plan to all affected colleges was approved.***

Adjournment: 4:04 PM