

Minutes
University Committee on Courses and Curricula
18 January 2013

- Present: Angi Bourgeois, Amy Adkerson, Linda Buehler, Russell Carr, Amy Crumpton, Yogi Dandass, Mitzy Johnson, Rob Moore, Bob Otondo, Charlie Palmer, Tommy Parker, David Peebles, Melinda Pilkinton, Whitney Ray, John Rigsby, Kathy Sherman-Morris, Wes Schilling, Barry Stewart, Pam Sullivan, Kirk Swortzel, Mark Welch, Robert Wolverton, John Wyatt
- Excused: Dana Franz, Hudson Frey, Dipangkar Dutta, Emily Schultz, Ben Magbanua, Vemitra White, Pat Matthes, James Warnock
- Absent: Wes Schilling
- Proxy: Rachel Singleton for Emily Schultz
- Guests: Hank, Flick, Jon Rezek, Mike Philips, Mike Cox, Richard Harkness, Mark Horstemeyer, John Lamberth, Don Schaffer, Andrea Spain, Jason Keith, Priscilla Hill, Mary Celeste Reese

Bourgeois called the meeting to order at 2:02 pm on Friday, January 18, 2013. Bourgeois welcomed the members to the meeting and opened the first order of business, the election of the chair. Nominations were opened and Bourgeois announced that she had received the nomination of Kirk Swortzel via email. No other nominations were made. The committee voted unanimously to elect Kirk Swortzel as the 2013-14 Chair of the UCCC. Bourgeois indicated that due to time constraints, she was not able to produce the minutes from the December meeting and that we would approve them at the February meeting.

Palmer moved, seconded by Wolverton, to approve the addition of AAS/EN 4393/6393, AAS/EN 2363, AAS/HS 4983, AAS 4093, and AAS 4383. Dr. Schaffer and Dr. Spain were present in support of the proposals. No issues were raised with the proposals and the motion was approved unanimously.

Swortzel moved, seconded by Palmer, to approve the addition of the degree of Bachelor of Science in Environmental Sciences in Agricultural Systems (ESAS). Dr. Phillips, Dr. Cox, and Dr. Harkness were present in support of the proposal. Dr. Phillips gave a brief history of the degree and communicated that this is a commonly offered degree at land grant institutions such as MSU. He also indicated the need for the degree in the economic development of Mississippi as a major agricultural state. A question was raised about where similar degrees at other peer institutions are commonly housed. Dr. Phillips indicated that most commonly they are found in similar academic units, typically always in a College of Agriculture and Life Sciences. A question was raised about the variable hours listed in the degree outline and it was indicated that it should be the lowest number of hours required to graduate. Dr. Phillips said he would make the necessary correction. No further questions were raised and the motion was approved contingent upon the correction to the degree outline.

Palmer moved, seconded by Carr, to approve the modification of CO 2213. Dr. Flick was present in support of the proposal. Dr. Flick indicated a need for a change of course number to the 3000 level to more accurately represent the content of the course. The Registrar asked if the 3000 level course would be considered equivalent with the existing 2000 level for purpose of student retake. Dr. Flick indicated yes. No further questions were raised and the proposal was approved unanimously.

Palmer moved, seconded by Swortzel, to approve the modification of IB 3913 and the addition of 6103. Dr. Rezek was present in support of these proposals. Dr. Rezek indicated the need to change the existing IB 3913 to IB 4103 and add a graduate level course IB 6103. The Registrar asked if the 4000-level course would be considered equivalent to the existing 3000 level for purposes of student retake. Dr. Rezek indicated that it would be. No further questions were raised and the motion was approved unanimously.

Palmer moved, seconded by Rigsby, to approve the additions for CHE 4153/6153 and 4163/6163. Dr. Keith and Dr. Hill were present in support of these proposals. It was noted that the CIP number was missing from the proposals. Dr. Keith indicated he would provide that immediately. No further questions were raised and the motion as approved unanimously.

Wyatt moved, seconded by Swortzel, to approve the modification of the MS in Kinesiology with concentrations in Exercise Physiology, Sport Pedagogy, and Sport Administration and the accompanying course proposals for the deletion of EP 8203, 8273, and 8433, and the addition of EP 8503. A question was raised about EP 8503 noting that the lab hours did not add up to the required 30 hours and that in the method of evaluation did not add up correctly. In addition, a question was raised as to whether it would be appropriate to delete courses that existing students will need to have the opportunity to take. Dr. Lamberth was present in support of the proposals. In addition, there were issues in the degree outline with the course numbers for DIS and Research that need to be fixed. Wolverton moved to table the proposals due to the numerous issues that needed to be resolved. Palmer seconded. The motion to table was approved unanimously.

Dandass moved, seconded by Palmer, to approve the distance proposals for ME 7000, 8000, and 9000, and the approval for distance delivery of the MS and Ph.D in Mechanical Engineering. Dr. Horstemeyer was present in support of the proposals. It was noted that a minor adjustment to the IHL form would need to be made, and it was noted that the programs' learning outcomes were not provided adequately. The motion was approved contingent upon correction of these minor issues.

Carr moved, seconded by Welch, to approve the modifications of BIO 4602, 4608, 4612, 4614, 4616, and 4618. Dr. Reese was present in support of these proposals. Dr. Reese indicated the need for these modifications have come about due to changes in internship providing institutions to their course numbers, since Medical Technology students spend their final year in internship rotations at other academic institutions and our course numbers are no longer in line with the internship rotation numbers. The issue of the need to modify the degree for Medical Technology as a part of these changes was raised. It was agreed that due to the fact that there is no actual content changes being proposed, the degree modification to reflect these new numbers could be handled as a technical change. No further issues were raised and the motion was approved unanimously.

Carr moved, seconded by Palmer, to approve the modification of BIO 4213/6213 and the addition of 4233/6233. Questions of duplication were raised regarding BIO 4233/6233 and Carr withdrew his original motion and moved the approval of BIO 4213/6213. It was requested that a current syllabus be sent to the UCCC for the purpose of records, so that in the future any modification could use the current syllabus as a baseline. The motion was approved contingent upon receiving that syllabus. Carr moved, seconded by Palmer, to approve the addition of BIO 4233/6233. Due to the question of duplication, the committee requested letters of support from Plant and Soil Science, Forestry, Wildlife, Fisheries, and Aquaculture, Landscape Architecture, and Geosciences. Rigsby moved to table the proposal due to the request of letters of support. Swortzel seconded the motion. The motion to table passed with one abstention.

Palmer moved, seconded by Swortzel, to approve the distance delivery of HS 4883/6883. No issues were raised and the motion was approved.

Palmer moved to adjourn, seconded by Carr. The meeting was adjourned at 3:35pm.