

Minutes
University Committee on Courses and Curricula
December 6, 2000

Present: Thomas Althen, Keith Belli, Gail Bishop, June Breland, David Bridges, Jim Bryant, Andy Gillentine, Clyde Herring, Keith Hodge, Jim Jones, Sharon Nobles, Kevin Rogers, Traci Rowe, Walter Smith, Chuck Sparrow, Clyde Williams and Nancy Ziegler

Excused: Jacquelyn Deeds, Merrily Dunn, Fred Lehman, David Lewis, and Joan Looby

Substitutes: Kevin Rogers for Ben Blair

Un-Excused: Julie Fulgham, Amy McKee, Ben Needham and Tim Wasyluka

Guests: Dr. Stan Spurlock, (Agricultural Economics) and Dr. Devon Brenner (Curriculum and Instruction)

Belli called the meeting to order at 3:50 pm in Lloyd-Ricks Annex (North-end).

Belli introduced Dr. Stan Spurlock, from Agricultural Economics and Dr. Devon Brenner from Curriculum and Instruction.

Gillentine moved, seconded by Bryant, to approve the minutes of the November 1st and 8th meetings. One typographical correction was requested. The motion passed unanimously.

Althen moved, seconded by Bridges, to approve: the deletions of AEC 8513 Econometric Analysis in Agricultural Economics, AEC 8633 Applied Economic Skills: Simulation, AEC 8623 Applied Economic Skills: Mathematical Programming, and AEC 8113 Modeling for Agricultural Management; and the additions of AEC 4723/6723 Modeling for Agricultural Management, AEC 4713/6713 Quantitative Economics, AEC 8163 Consumers, Producers, and Markets, AEC 8712 Topics in Applied Economics: Production and Supply, AEC 4733/6733 Econometric Analysis in Agricultural Economics, AEC 8733 Topics in Applied Economics: Welfare and Policy Analysis, and AEC 8722 Topics in Applied Economics: Marketing and Demand. Concerns were raised regarding possible duplication of courses being offered by the Department of Industrial Engineering, and the Department of Mathematics and Statistics. The motion to approve the packet was passed unanimously, contingent upon receipt of letters of support from Industrial Engineering (for AEC 4723/6723) and from Mathematics and Statistics (for AEC 4713/6713 and AEC 4733/6733).

Bryant moved, seconded by Gillentine, to remove RDG 3113 Reading Fundamentals, RDG 3113 Foundations of Literacy, RDG 3213 Teaching of Reading, and RDG 3213 Teaching of Literacy from the table. The motion passed unanimously. Brenner presented materials from NCATE, the Mississippi Language Arts Framework, and the PRAXIS II Exam to demonstrate the topic standards imposed by these sources. Williams asked how so many subjects could be dealt with

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effectively in the relatively short amount of time allotted to the two course additions. The motion passed with a vote of 9 for, 1 against and 1 abstention. Williams voted against the proposal because his question was not answered satisfactorily.

Gillentine moved, seconded by Althen, to approve the modification of the Master of Science in Agricultural Economics and the modification of the Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Economics. The motion to approve passed unanimously.

Gillentine moved, seconded by Bridges, to approve the addition of ART 1003 The Idea of Art. After a brief discussion Bryant moved, seconded by Bridges, to table the proposal pending clarification of the intent to use the course as a fulfillment of the MSU Core Fine Arts requirement, and the potential need for a curriculum modification proposal if a change in course requirements is being proposed. The committee also asked how the College of Arts and Sciences' Curriculum Committee reacted to these issues in their meeting. The motion to table passed unanimously.

Bryant moved, seconded by Bridges, to approve the addition of ART 8033 Experimental Animation. A concern was raised regarding the enrollment limit of 10 for the course. Another concern was the need for a lab fee to support the course. The committee did not object to the fee itself, but wished for confirmation from the Dean that the fee was approved by the University. The proposal passed unanimously contingent upon deleting the sentence about enrollment and confirmation of the lab fee.

Sparrow moved, seconded by Gillentine, to approve the addition of ART 8050 Practicum in Electronic Visualization. A note from David Lewis was read asking for the instructor of record to submit criteria for the evaluation of students by their supervisor. Also, a question was raised regarding the stated enrollment limit. Williams moved, seconded by Bridges to table pending better documentation for supervisor evaluation, and clarification of the enrollment limit. The motion to table passed with a vote of 10 for, 1 against, and 1 abstention. The vote against was because the committee member did not think that a clarification of evaluation criteria was necessary.

Bridges moved, seconded by Bryant to approve the addition of ART 8123 Multimedia Installation and Performance. The motion to approve passed unanimously.

Bridges moved, seconded by Bryant, to approve the addition of ART 8133 HTML and Web Development. Concerns were raised regarding possible duplication of courses in other departments. Jones moved, seconded by Gillentine, to table pending support letters from the Departments of: Agricultural Information Science and Education, Communication, Computer Science, Management and Information Systems, Technology and Education, and Marketing, Quantitative Analysis, and Business Law. The motion to table passed unanimously.

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Bridges moved, seconded by Williams, to remove WF 8113 Scientific Literature and Communication for the Natural Sciences and WF 4363/6363 Wildlife and Fisheries Administration and Communication from the table. The motion passed unanimously. The original motion to approve both courses passed unanimously.

Bridges moved, seconded by Williams, to remove the deletion of EE 8363 Digital Spectral Analysis and the addition of ECE 8413 Digital Spectral Analysis from the table. The motion passed unanimously. The original motion to approve both course proposals passed with a vote of 10 for, and 1 against. The vote against was due to the decision of ECE to ignore a suggestion made by the Department of Mathematics and Statistics to require a different, stronger, pre-requisite course than the one currently listed.

Jones moved, seconded by herring, to approve the addition of the cross-listed courses CS 8613 Cognitive Models of Skill and PSY 8723 Cognitive models of Skill. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.