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Senators: Chair – David Rainville , Vice Chair – Dennis Cooper, Secretary – Kris Hiney, Executive Committee – John Heppen, Todd Savage

Date: February 14, 2010
To: Faculty Senate and University Community
From: David P. Rainville, Faculty Senate Chair
Subject: Agenda for Faculty Senate Meeting February 17, 2010

The 2009-2010 Faculty Senate will meet on Wednesday, February 17, 2010 at 3:30 P.M. in Room 334 (Willow River Room) of the University Center. Faculty Senators who cannot attend should arrange for a substitute and notify Kristina Hiney at Kristina.hiney@uwrf.edu.

Agenda: February 17, 2010

Call to Order:

1. Seating of Substitutes
2. Approval of Minutes of February 3, 2010

Reports:

Chairs Report
Other Reports:

Unfinished Business:

None

New Business Consent Agenda:

Program Changes from Academic Policy and Program Committee (James Zimmerman, Chair)

1. Elimination of the Secondary Education in Communication Studies Major and Minor.
2. Suspension of the Business Administration-MIS Option

New Business:

1. A **motion** from the Executive Committee requesting a 0.50 release for both semesters for the 2010-2011 Faculty Senate Chair.

2. A **motion** from the Executive Committee requesting the following releases for Faculty Senate Committee Chairs:
 - a. **Academic Policy and Program** - 0.25 for one semester;
 - b. **Assessment Committee** - 0.25 for one semester
 - c. **Faculty Welfare and Personnel Policies Committee** - 0.25 for one semester;
 - d. **General Education and University Requirements Committee** - 0.25 for one semester;
 - e. **Information and Instructional Technology Council** - 0.25 for one semester;
 - f. **University Curriculum Committee** - 0.25 for two semesters;

Miscellaneous New Business:

1. Faculty Senate Luncheons with Candidates for Vice Chancellor Of Administration and Finance, (February 18, 19, 22, 24, and 25 have been proposed by the Search and Screen Committee).
2. *ad hoc* Faculty Senate on Constitutional Reform - Progress Report.

Adjournment

TRANSMITTAL for UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS: Changes or Proposals

INFORMATION

1. **Program title:** Business Administration (Mis Option)
2. **Department(s):** Management And Marketing
3. **College(s):** College of Business and Economics
4. **Proposal prepared by:** Dawn Hukai **Date:** Nov. 7, 2009

5. Check all that apply:

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|---|--|
| ☐ New program | ☒ Existing program |
| ☐ Change in course name | ☐ Change in number of credits |
| ☐ Change in Major | ☐ Change in Minor |
| ☐ Change in course content | ☒ Change in Emphasis/Option → Suspension |

6. **Other Programs/Departments Consulted** (Requires letters of support from all Departments or Programs substantially affected):

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|----------------------------|----|
| 1. Computer Science And Is | 3. |
| 2. | 4. |

7. **Date of Implementation:** Fall Semester 2010 Year

8. **Have all courses in this program been approved?** Yes ☒ No ☐
If "No," which ones?

9. **Attach Request Narrative.** (Include description of program before and after proposed changes).

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Department Chair	<u>Bruce J. Hoffman</u>	<u>12/4/09</u>
College Curriculum Cmtt. Chair	<u>John Wiley</u>	<u>12/10/09</u>
Dean of College	<u>Dawn Hukai</u>	<u>12/10/09</u>
University Curriculum Cmtt. Chair	<u>Barbara S. Nielsen</u>	<u>12/16/09</u>
Academic Policy & Programs Cmtt. Chair	<u>Jack Gunn</u>	<u>2/1/10</u>
Faculty Senate Chair	_____	_____
Provost / Vice Chancellor	_____	_____
Chancellor	_____	_____

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Business Administration-MIS Option Suspension Narrative

As the program prioritization process began in Spring 2009, it was noted that there had been a decline in the number of MIS majors over time and there had been no MIS majors since 2006-07. The CBE Undergraduate Programs committee met and discussed whether to phase out the program or find new students. The chairs agreed to phase out the program.

MIS programs have had significant decreases in enrollment UW Systemwide. There is still demand for technology majors, but students may not have been aware of the major or the job opportunities. No program took ownership of MIS, and the historical Computer Science MIS track that existed before the BA-MIS option generally attracted CS students who did not want a business degree. There was no cooperation between the Business Administration and CSIS departments when the switch was made in 2002-03, and the program may have been too technology-oriented rather than management-oriented. The consensus of the group was to agree to suspend the Business Administration MIS option until clear demand for the program and willingness to take ownership can be demonstrated.

Subject: MIS Suspension Decision
From: Ahmad Abuhejleh <ahmad.abuhejleh@uwrf.edu>
Date: Thu, 03 Dec 2009 12:07:11 -0600
To: Brian Huffman <brian.j.huffman@uwrf.edu>
CC: Dawn Hukai <Dawn.Hukai@uwrf.edu>

Hi Brian,

The CSIS department agrees with the decision to suspend the Business Administration MIS option until clear demand for the program and willingness to take ownership can be demonstrated.
Ahmad

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Ahmad Abuhejleh
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TRANSMITTAL for UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS: Changes or Proposals

INFORMATION

1. Program title: Communication/Secondary Education Emphasis

2. Department(s): Communication Studies And Theatre Arts

3. College(s): College Of Arts And Sciences

4. Proposal prepared by: Robin Murray Date: 11/11/2009

5. Check all that apply: Request to eliminate Secondary Ed Major + Minor

☐ New program

☐ Change in course name

☒ Change in Major

☐ Change in course content

☒ Existing program

☐ Change in number of credits

☒ Change in Minor

☒ Change in Emphasis/Option

6. Other Programs/Departments Consulted (Requires letters of support from all Departments or Programs substantially affected):

1. TED
2.

3.
4.

7. Date of Implementation: Spring Semester 2010 Year

8. Have all courses in this program been approved? Yes ☐ No ☐
If "No," which ones? Na See attached rationale

9. Attach Request Narrative. (Include description of program before and after proposed changes).

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Department Chair	<u>Robin Murray</u>	<u>11/11/09</u>
College Curriculum Cmtt. Chair	<u>Lisa Greenby</u>	<u>12/7/09</u>
Dean of College	<u>Bradley</u>	<u>12/7/09</u>
University Curriculum Cmtt. Chair	<u>Barbara S. Nielsen</u>	<u>12/11/09</u>
Academic Policy & Programs Cmtt. Chair	<u>John A. Zeman</u>	<u>2/1/10</u>
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Department Chair	<u>T. W. Gott</u>	<u>11-16-09</u>
College Curriculum Cmtt. Chair	<u>R. Holler</u>	<u>11-16-09</u>
Dean of College	<u>[Signature]</u>	<u>11/16/09</u>

	Signature	Date
Department Chair	<u>Robin Mum</u>	<u>11/20/09</u>
College Curriculum Cmtt. Chair	_____	_____
Dean of College	_____	_____

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Department Chair	_____	_____
College Curriculum Cmtt. Chair	_____	_____
Dean of College	_____	_____

**Rationale: Elimination of Communication Studies Major-Secondary Education Emphasis
and Communication Studies Minor-Secondary Education Emphasis**

Prepared by Robin Murray, Chair Communication Studies and Theatre Arts

I am submitting a request from the Communication Studies program to eliminate the Secondary Education Emphasis in CS both the major and the minor. (The Elementary Education Minor is not currently affected.) The Communication Studies program voted unanimously to eliminate these two degrees for the following reasons:

** See
Below
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There are simply not enough students enrolled in the program to be efficient. As of today, there are 5 students yet to complete the degree(s).

Declining enrollments have created a situation where the CSTA 403 Methods class must currently be taught on an "as needed" basis to one student at a time. This is grossly inefficient.

The Communication Studies program has prioritized its majors. We feel that that cost of maintaining integrity in the Secondary Education Major and Minor is too high and choose to put our resources into our other programs.

The Communication Studies program review of 2006 recommended that the degrees be dropped.

The CS Secondary Education Major and Minor will be eliminated as January 1, 2010. Currently enrolled students will be allowed to continue their programs and be granted the degree. The department will make every effort to communicate with current students and provide them with a workable plan for completing the Methods course. The department will continue to work with TED to offer the CSTA 403 Directing the Secondary Forensics Program course, as well as the TED Techniques course to the remaining enrolled students.

The interpretation of this statement is this:

The Communication Studies minor designed for Elementary Education majors is not being eliminated.

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11-16-09