## UNIVERSITY CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MINUTES Date: 1/20/11

Minutes Approved by: \_\_\_\_\_\_

Date Approved <u>2/9/11</u>

FACULTY MEMBERS PRESENT: L. Smith, J. Burgess, L. Colvin, D. Davis, D. Engler, C. Grinnell, R. Hanser, D. Luse, H. Rappaport, R. Stevens, B. Strunk,
FACULTY MEMBERS ABSENT: A. Clark, L. Clark, K. Tolson
FACULTY MEMBERS EXCUSED: J. Boult, T. Zagar
EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS PRESENT: C. Lee, D. Williams
EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS ABSENT:
EX-OFFICIO MEMBERS EXCUSED: J. Perrer

Following items were discussed at the meeting:

1. Lon Smith requested a Vice-Chair be selected. It was motioned, seconded and then voted "aye" that Dara Engler serve as Vice-Chair of the UCC.

2. It was suggested by Lon Smith that an Executive Committee be created to "fast track" simple curricular changes and the committee agreed. That committee will be composed of the Chair, Vice-Chair, Chair of the Arts and Sciences Committee and Chair of the Graduate Committee. Another member will be selected if one person serves in two of those positions.

3. There was more discussion about the Core-Curriculum. Meeting BoR requirements for the core, i.e. 9 hrs. of humanities, without choosing specific courses, allows students more choices. It would reduce the number of years to get a degree. It would also cut the capstone course. BAS degree in BoR list would need to be removed from our version. Program specific courses will override BoR core, if necessary for certain departments. This proposal needs to be run by the entire faculty for approval and to see if there are any classes in the BoR core that their programs would not want to take. It was motioned, seconded and voted "aye" that the UCC believes we should parallel the BoR core requirements. It was agreed that "word-smithing" was necessary on pgs. 64-65 of the catalog of requirements and the Core-Curriculum sub committee was charged with that task. They intend to do so via electronic communication.

4. No curriculum proposals were discussed at this meeting.