PRESENT:  Michelle Beitel (for Harvey King), Ruth Chambers, Devon Floyd, Larry Gauthier, Rob Giberson, Nicole Glas (for Nick Forsberg), Allen Herman (Chair), Donna McLaughlin (for Doug Durst), Frank Obrigewitsch, Larry Saxton, Jason Vogelsang (for Judy Chapman)

REGRETS:  Mark Brigham, Ron Byrne, Mary Jesse, Anne Lavack, Loanne Myrah, Harold Riemer, Brenda Righetti, Satish Sharma

GUESTS:  Myrna Pitzel (Social Work)

1.  APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Saxton - Giberson

moved approval of the agenda as distributed with the addition of Item 5.5, Report from the Faculty of Science, which was distributed in advance of the meeting.  CARRIED

2.  APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING – May 9, 2006

Beitel - Saxton

moved approval of the minutes of the meeting of May 9, 2006 as distributed, with the following corrections (as underlined) under the discussion of point 2, Item 4:

- The third paragraph on page 4 should read: “Neither minimum credit hours nor Federated Colleges are mentioned in these motions.  With the elimination of Pre-Business Administration, how are these being addressed?  FNUC would not have Business Administration if this passes.”
- The sixth paragraph on page 4 should read: “Was it intended that Federated College not be part of the Bachelor of Business Administration program?  Yes, that was the intent.”
- The third paragraph on page 5 should read: “Re motions 3 and 4, does elimination of the Pre-Business Administration program mean other faculties who are affected by this need to approve its elimination?  Yes.”
- The fourth paragraph on page 5 should read: “Re motion 4, there is a problem with the last sentence.  How does “transfer out of the program” work?  To RTD students who have a 69.99% average seems punitive.  …”
- The fifth paragraph on page 5 should read: “Motion 3 is a concern for current Pre-Business Administration students.  Is the Faculty of Business Administration prepared to be responsible for students who are currently in Pre-Business Administration and struggling to meet a 65% average?  Yes.  Counselling resources need to be added to handle this.

CARRIED

3.  BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

3.1  Tabled Motions from the Faculty of Business Administration (Item 5.4 of the May 9th Minutes)

Deferral of these motions to the first fall meeting of the CCUAS was noted.
4. OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Report from the Faculty of Arts

I. Items for Approval

A. Catholic Studies Program

Beitel – Obrigewitsch

moved that a Minor in Catholic Studies be created as detailed in Appendix I, pages 2 and 3 of the agenda material and that Catholic Studies courses (CATH) be included on both Lists A and B in the Arts core requirements. CARRIED

B. Department of Women’s Studies

Beitel – Obrigewitsch

moved that the approved electives in Women’s Studies be revised as follows:

**WMST - List A:** add RLST 378: Gender in Ancient Christianity CARRIED

C. Department of Justice Studies

Beitel – Obrigewitsch

moved that the residence requirements for the BHJ be revised to:

Sixty credit hours, including HJ 202, 203, 445, 446, 447, and fifteen additional credit hours in the major one course from each of the following five HJ areas: Systems, Population Sectors, Issues, Fields of Professional Practice, Analysis.

and

that the approved electives for Police Studies/Justice Studies be revised as follows:

**Group 1: Contemporary Society** add:

HJ 357: Ecology and Justice
SOC 308: Issues of Power and Justice

**Group 2: Law in Society** add:

HJ 307: Justice and the Law in Canada. CARRIED
D. Mature Admission

Beitel - Obrigewitsch

moved that the academic advising requirements for students granted mature admission be revised as follows:

10.4.1.1 Academic Advising – Students Granted Mature Admission

Advising is mandatory for students who are granted mature admission until they have attempted 24 credit hours of University of Regina courses (or have completed 24 credit hours including transfer credit from other post-secondary institutions) or until they achieve a UGPA of 65% or better on the first 12 credit hours at the University of Regina.

It was pointed out that, when these students moved to Arts, the EP regulations moved with them. For some students, these regulations were unduly restrictive.

Why is this being limited to the first 12 credit hours? The motion should be amended to read as underlined: “…on the first 12 or more credit hours at the University of Regina.” AGREED

The motion was called on the Beitel-Obrigewitsch motion as amended. CARRIED

II. Items for Information

The new courses, CATH 200 and RLST 378, were noted for information.

5.2 Report from the Faculty of Education

Glas – Beitel

moved that the revisions to the BEAD Elementary Program be approved as follows:

Applicants to the BEAD Elementary Program must have:

- An approved degree with a minimum UGPA of 65%
- Minimum 39 credit hours supportive of provincial curricula
- Recommended to have three provincial curricula areas (9 credit hours of senior courses)

* Note: Students are advised they must have completed 9 credit hours of senior courses in 3 provincial curricula areas prior to graduating from the Faculty of Education. CARRIED

5.3 Report from the Faculty of Fine Arts

Chambers – Saxton

moved that the BA, BA Honours and BFA programs be changed to include Film 250 in the major as follows:

Two courses from Film 240, 241, 250 CARRIED

Is there a problem with substitutions, even though they’re different courses? No.
5.4 Report from the Faculty of Social Work

1. Motion: Change Social Work 100 to be required.

McLaughlin - Giberson

moved that, effective September 1, 07, Social Work 100 Introduction to Social Welfare and Social Work be made a required course for the completion of the BSW.  

CARRIED

2. Motion: Change Social Work 210 to no longer be required.

McLaughlin - Obrigewitsch

moved that, effective September 1, 07, Social Work 210 Explorations in Social Work no longer be a required course for the completion of the BSW.

If these courses are so similar, will there be a motion stating that students cannot obtain credit for both? No. SW 210 has a volunteer component and SW 100 does not.

The question was called on the McLaughlin-Obrigewitsch motion.  

CARRIED

3. Recommendation that SW 100 be taken as a first social work course

McLaughlin - Obrigewitsch

moved that the following statement be added to the Course Description for SW 100:

SW 100 should be taken as the first Social Work course.

Will students be able to do the volunteer component some place else? Yes. This will relieve the volunteer pressure on the community.

Is there still a volunteer component for students applying to the Faculty of Social Work? There is no specific number of hours but students must show ‘life skills’.

Is SW 100 required for upper level Social Work courses? No, but it is recommended that it be the first Social Work course students take.

The question was called on the McLaughlin-Obrigewitsch motion.  

CARRIED

4. SW 411 title be changed from “Victims of Abuse” to “Issues Related to Abuse and Violence”

This item was noted for information.
5. Cross-listing of SW 427 and CFST 206

McLaughlin - Saxton

moved that SW 427 and CFST 206 Expressive Arts and Play be cross-listed.

What is the Child and Family Studies Certificate? It is a certificate approved through the Centre for Continuing Education.

The content of the courses are similar, which is why it is being proposed they be cross-listed.

The question was called on the McLaughlin-Saxton motion CARRIED

6. Removal of SW 458, SW Practicum II, from the Course Calendar

Deletion of this course was noted for information.

7. Removal of Ad Hoc Admissions Panel

McLaughlin - Saxton

moved that the paragraph describing the ad hoc Admissions Panel on page 216 of the calendar starting with "Applicants may be required", and ending at "Human Rights Code." be removed.

This policy was approved many years ago but hasn’t been put into practice as there has been no real need. Also, there has been no determination as to why or the conditions under which an interview would be needed. Elimination of the reference removes a possible area of dispute.

The motion was called on the McLaughlin-Saxton motion. CARRIED

8. Removal of Calendar Reference re Designated Admission Spaces

McLaughlin - Obrigewitsch

moved that the paragraph on page 216 of the Calendar, beginning with "The Faculty of Social Work designates...." and ending at "requirements as above" (End sentence here and delete the rest of the sentence.) be removed.

Lengthy discussion ensued and numerous questions were raised:

Based on current applications, has there been any study done on what affect this change would have? How will the faculty know if the new application and policy are helping or hindering or if they are achieving the desired result. The Committee would like to see a sample cohort.

The Faculty of Social Work has changed its application form and scoring is now based on other aspects than the old application. A point policy has been introduced which would automatically award 5 points to students who self declare a minority group. Based on these new criteria,
it would be difficult to apply or test results using last year’s applicants because different information was provided/required on those forms.

Are these points meaningful? What is the 5 points out of? This point system has been developed from similar systems at other universities. It is believed to be out of 100. Points are also assigned for 1) a personal statement; and 2) experience.

The Faculty needs to make sure that applicants with little or no experience are not disadvantaged.

There was concern about self declaration of aboriginal ancestry because the University of Regina has no policy to verify declaration of aboriginal people or ancestry. The Faculty of Social Work defines aboriginal as “First Nations, Metis and Inuit”. What about students who do not self declare?

Will students be advised what groups are available to qualify for the 5 points? Yes. Information needs to be provided to students and there should be an entry in the calendar.

Does Social Work turn away qualified applicants? Yes.

Has the Faculty of Social Work sought a legal opinion on this change? They need to be cautious about changes that will categorically advantage or disadvantage individuals. Although the intention is good, the faculty needs to be certain that what they’re doing is supportable.

What was the goal of the faculty in removing this 1/3 group? It was not certain that there was a specific goal other than to rebalance groups if necessary and to provide equity in the faculty’s admission policy. It seems that this could be done with the existing 1/3 group provision.

Was the inequity in allowing enough seats or not enough seats? Not enough seats.

There was support for the concept of the proposed change but, once the policy is approved, the faculty could find itself in an untenable situation. There is protection in the current reserved seating policy. If it allows liberty but doesn’t jeopardize, then the current cohort is protected.

Does the 1/3 cohort compete within a pool of its own? No.

Saxton – Gauthier

moved that motion 8 be tabled pending submission to the CCUAS of the results of an impact study. CARRIED

9. Addition of statement on equity and diversity

McLaughlin - Obrigewitsch

moved that the following statement on equity and diversity be added:

“The Faculty of Social Work supports the principles of equity and promotes social and cultural diversity. Applicants who identify themselves
as experiencing cultural and/or social barriers will be given additional consideration in the application process”.

This motion provides flexibility to work on the application and points system.

5.5 Report from the Faculty of Science

1. Items for Approval

a. Department of Biology

moved that the following two areas of concentration be added as options within the BSc Biology degree program as detailed in Appendix V, pages 13 and 14 of the agenda material:

1. Cellular and Molecular Biology
2. Ecology and Environmental Biology  CARRIED

b. Department of Computer Science

Saxton - Glas

moved that the following changes to the BSc Software Systems Development (SSD) program be approved as detailed in Appendix V, page 14 of the agenda material:

1. Add the following three required courses to the program:
   • CS 372 Foundations of Software Engineering
   • CS 373 Software Specification and Design
   • CS 476 Software Development Project

2. Plus one of the following courses:
   • CS 474 Advanced Topics in Software Engineering
   • ENSE 474 Software Process Management
   • ENSE 475 Software Testing and Validation

3. Replace CS 270 with CS 280 (Software Development and Professional Practice)

4. Co-operative Education is now available for students in the BSc Software Systems Development program.  CARRIED

c. Department of Mathematics and Statistics

Saxton – Beitel

moved approval of the following changes:

1. Co-op Program:
   Mathematics Required Courses: MATH 110, MATH 111, MATH 122, MATH 213, MATH 217, CS 110, and one STAT course.
2. Statistics: Number of Co-op Work Terms: 3 (Optional 4th)

3. Statistics Required Courses: MATH 110, MATH 111, MATH 122, STAT 151, (either STAT 251, STAT 254 or STAT 257), and CS 110.

4. Actuarial Science Program
   - Replace ECON 100 with an Arts or Fine Arts elective.
   - Replace STAT 471 with a Math, Stat or ACSC course numbered 300 or above.  CARRIED

   d. Faculty of Science Motion

   Saxton – Giberson

   moved that RDWT 120 and RDWT 121 not be accepted for credit towards any degree or certificate offered by the Faculty of Science.

   The Faculty of Science does not see RDWT courses as equivalent to ENGL 90 and 91.

   Is there anything in these courses that could be changed to make them acceptable for credit by the Faculty of Science? The Faculty of Science felt they did not contain enough rigor.

   The RDWT courses were developed to enhance ability beyond ENGL 90 and 91 to make ENGL 100 and 110 passable.

   The Faculty of Science wants ENGL 100 and 110.

   The motion was called on the Saxton-Giberson motion.  CARRIED
   (8 for; 1 against)

2. Items for Information

   The remainder of the report detailing revisions to BIOL 403, STAT 471, CS 280, and CS 372, new courses BIOC 340, BIOC 430, CHEM 411, CHEM 444, CHEM 433, CHEM 461, CS 373, CS 474 and CS 476, and the change of INHS within Science from Indian Health Studies to Indigenous Health Studies were noted for information.

6. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

6.1 Date of Next Meeting

   Members were reminded to submit, as soon as possible to Bev Liski, their time tables, teaching/meeting schedules or times and dates when they were not available to attend meetings during the fall semester. From these submissions, dates for the upcoming semester will be determine.

7. CONCLUSION

   The meeting concluded at 11:45 a.m.