PRESENT: Mark Brigham, Lynn Cavanagh, Ruth Chambers, Devon Floyd, Allen Herman (Chair), Harvey King, Bev Liski (Recording Secretary), George Maslany, Loanne Myrah, Frank Obrigewitsch, Larry Saxton, Betty St. Onge (for Judy Chapman)

REGRETS: Ron Byrne, Mary Jesse, Brenda Righetti, Satish Sharma

GUESTS: Jason Vogelsang

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Brigham - Myrah

moved approval of the agenda as distributed. CARRIED

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING – September 13, 2006

King - Reimer

moved approval of the minutes of the meeting of September 13, 2006 as distributed, with the following corrections.

Under REGRETS, Satish Sharma’s name should be removed.
Under GUESTS, Bob Anderson should read Bob Kayseas. CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

It was reported that the motions from the Faculty of Business Administration that were passed by this committee subject to approval of the faculty were approved prior to them being forwarded to Executive of Council.

4. OLD BUSINESS

4.1 Faculty of Social Work – Removal of Calendar Reference re Designated Spaces (Item 3.1 of September 13, 2006 Minutes and Item 5.4, point 8 of the June 13, 2006 Minutes)

It was reported there has been a change in admission criteria for the Faculty of Social Work. One-third of spaces had previously been reserved as a ‘catch all’ area for admissions. The new application form allows for students to self declare themselves in one of the disadvantaged groups and it is no longer necessary to reserve these spaces. There has never been a case of filling these seats as posted and very often there was a group of students who qualified but did not self declare. The proposal is to replace the language with reality and is not intended to disadvantage individuals.

Will there be any difference in the acceptances? No.

Why have it if there is no difference? Social Work tends to attract students who would fall into one of the disadvantaged categories. The Faculty sees this as a form of affirmative action.
Maslany – Myrah

moved that the tabled motion be lifted. CARRIED

The question was called on the originally tabled motion as follows:

moved that the paragraph on page 216 of the 2006-2007 Undergraduate 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.) CARRIED

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Report from the Faculty of Science

Items for Information

Items 1, 2 and 3 of the report from the Faculty of Science, as detailed in Appendix I, page 2 of the agenda material, were noted for information.

Item for Approval

Saxton – Brigham

moved that a new 2+2 program with SIAST, the Bachelor of Medical Laboratory Science, be created as detailed in Appendix I, pages 3 and 4 of the agenda material.

Is this a recreation of the Bachelor of Laboratory Technology program? No. SIAST and Kelsey have strong Medical Technology programs that will be requiring national accreditation as of 2010. In order for their students to be accredited, the program must be in place and ready for them to write the accreditation examination. All courses which support the program are currently being offered, although there may be changes to the program as it progresses.

SIAST accepts 20 students per year. They must meet Science admission requirements and must complete the necessary courses for the program. The Faculty of Science is attempting to provide as much variety as possible within the constraints of the program.

How is this program different from the former Bachelor of Laboratory Technology? The former program had no students and the new program has a different focus.

CCE has found that, if Science says this is the marker to write an examination, there will be students. The Certification Board requires successful completion of specific examinations for accreditation. Students must do this to retain their credential in that area.

Are CLIN 8 and 9 required for the degree? Yes, but students could do this later. They must be passed prior to accreditation.

This doesn’t seem clear. The wording on page 4 regarding CLIN 8 and 9 should be clarified. Perhaps it should say “20 are required courses with 17 set and 3 electives equaling 60 credit hours”.

Has the Planning and Priorities Committee considered this yet? No. It has been submitted and will be considered at a subsequent meeting.
The Faculty of Science was reminded that they should be submitting a recommendation for a hood color. Ideally this should have accompanied the program submission.

Lakeland students may pursue acceptance based on accreditation and may be admitted under special dispensation of the Faculty of Science.

The question was called on the Saxton-Brigham motion, subject to approval of the Planning and Priorities Committee. CARRIED

5.2 Report from the Faculty of Arts

Items for Approval

A. Department of Economics

King – Saxton

moved the requirements in the Major in Economics be revised as detailed in Appendix II, page 5 of the agenda material. CARRIED

B. International Studies Program

King – Brigham

moved that the revised requirements in the Development Studies Concentration and the revisions to the Approved Electives in Development Studies of the International Studies program be approved as detailed in Appendix II, page 6 of the agenda material. CARRIED

C. Department of Justice Studies

King – Maslany

moved approval of the following recommendations as detailed in Appendix II, pages 7 and 8 of the agenda material:

- to create an optional Concentration in Criminal and Restorative Justice (Corrections and Public Safety) that may be completed as part of the Bachelor of Human Justice;
- to create a Certificate in Criminal and Restorative Justice (Corrections and Public Safety);
- to amend the UG Calendar entry for the Practicum II (page 97).

These recommendations are part of ongoing discussions between Justice Studies and Corrections and Public Safety Saskatchewan. They are aligned to provide necessary credentials for students who want to pursue work in corrections.

Regarding the Certificate program, admission has been through Arts Special. The Faculty of Arts was advised that they must change this category and they were agreeable.

The question was called on the King-Maslany motion. CARRIED

E. Department of French

King – Saxton

moved approval of the revised Majors and Minor in French as detailed in Appendix II, pages 13 and 14 of the agenda material. CARRIED
This is a fairly major change in French, which provides easier sequencing.

F. International Designation

King – Brigham

moved approval of the creation of an International Designation and approval of the graduation requirements for Arts students to qualify for this designation. Graduation requirements are as detailed in Appendix II, page 15 of the agenda material.

This designation and requirements will apply to all Arts degrees. International Designation will appear on students’ transcripts and diplomas.

Other faculties wishing to have this designation appear must choose the option and submit their graduation requirements for approval.

Out-of-country students transferring in must do so with prior permission of the Faculty of Science.

The question was called on the King-Brigham motion. CARRIED

Items for Information

The revised HJ courses, and the new, revised and deleted FR courses, as detailed in Appendix II, pages 15-18, were noted for information.

5.3 Report from the Registrar’s Office

The reference documents as detailed in Appendix III, pages 20 and 21 of the agenda material were reviewed for information.

Regarding the Alpha and 4-point Grading System comparison, it was pointed out that these are to clarify the areas of confusion regarding the numeric grading scale versus the alphabetical grading scale.

Has there been any attempt to produce an equivalent 9 point scale? No.

The University of Regina’s alpha numeric scale went to 5. Has this been laid out? Yes.

Are there plans to publish this information anywhere else? Yes, it will be published on the Registrar’s Office website but will not be printed in the UG Calendar.

It should be understood that this is not how the University translates these conversions but rather how other institutions convert.

Why do we not use this table to convert grades? Ours comes very close to being reciprocal.

Regarding the Accreditation statement, it was noted that this is an effort to find the right wording and this seems to work.
6. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

6.1 Call for Members’ Teaching and Meeting Schedule to Determine Meetings for 2007 Winter Term

Members were asked to submit their teaching and meeting schedules for the 2007 winter term so a CCUAS meeting schedule can be set up.

7. CONCLUSION

The meeting concluded at 1:50 p.m.