PRESENT: Katherine Arbuthnott, Robin Evans, Bev Liski (Recording Secretary), Cameron Louis, Nader Mobed, Gary Morin, Allan Patenaude (Chair), Wes Pearce, Yvonne Petry, Annette Revet, Harold Riemer, Nick Ruddick, Heather Ryan, Ang Saweczko, David Senkow, Michael Young

GUESTS: None

REGRETS: John Metcalfe, Satish Sharma, John Smith, Judy White

1. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Ryan - Senkow

Moved approval of the agenda as distributed. CARRIED

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF LAST MEETING, September 7, 2012

Morin - Mobed

Moved approval of the minutes of the meeting of September 7, 2012 as distributed, with corrections as follows:

With regard to BUS 100 being the prerequisite for all 200-level BUS courses, when does the BUS prerequisite get overridden? Faculties that with BUS 200 and above courses in their programs are not included may be affected but the Faculty of Business Administration is consulting with these faculties to find workable solutions. Some have added BUS 100 to the programs. The Faculty of Business Administration will meet with the Faculty of Engineering and Applied Science to discuss their options. There will be a transition period with suitable arrangements being worked out for faculties affected by this change. CARRIED

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

There was no business arising from the minutes.

4. OLD BUSINESS

4.1 Reports from Task Forces, Commissions or Sub-committees

4.1.1 Commission to Review Fresh Start Program

There is no report at this time; however, the chair will be meeting with Gary Morin and Naomi Deren regarding their “Academic Recovery Program” project. The committee expects to complete its report in the next month.

4.1.2 Sub-committee to Review Work Load around Examination Period

The Faculty of Arts discussed its concerns regarding the sub-committee’s report. They were of the view that students should be allowed to have term work submitted during the examination period if they have no final examination. They also felt the regulations were full of holes and looked for ways to get around the
regulations. For example, a syllabus could say that work is due the last day of classes but there would be no penalty if it was submitted later. They wondered why the term work couldn’t be called a take-home exam. These concerns and comments were conveyed to the Registrar’s Office.

4.1.3 University Regulations Sub-committee

No report.

4.2 Awarding of InstitutionalHonours, Mention Bilingue

No report.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Report from the Faculty of Arts

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

1. Louis – Ruddick

Moved to revise the BA Major and Honours Major in History as detailed in Appendix I, pages 2-5 of the agenda material. CARRIED

2. Louis – Ryan

Moved to revise the BA Combined Major in Economics and Business Administration as detailed in Appendix I, page 6 of the agenda material.

When would students who are taking this program typically begin taking BUS courses? Typically, this would be in their second year but they could be taken in their first year if they could be worked into their schedules.

Not every student comes to BUS from high school. With appropriate transfer credit, students could go directly into second year courses.

Is this watering down the program by replacing a 300/400 level course with a 100-level course? These changes are a result of Business Administration changes.

Why would the change not be ‘one of the BUS/ADMN courses’? There are only a few courses that aren’t currently named in the 200-level category. Students would end up taking a 300/400 level course anyway.

The question was called on the Louis-Ryan motion. CARRIED

3. Louis – Pearce

Moved to delete the BA Combined Honours Major in Economics and Geography as detailed in Appendix I, page 7 of the agenda material.

Is this removing a program that would require approval by Senate? Yes, but it is just the Honours program portion that is being deleted.

The question as called on the Louis-Pearce motion. CARRIED

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

The new, revised and deleted courses, as detailed in Appendix I, pages 8-10 of the agenda material, were received for information.
5.2 Report from the Faculty of Education

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

1. Arts Education Program

The matters reported in motions 1 and 2 of the agenda material were received as items for information as they are simply a rearranging of existing course offerings within approved templates and do not require approval.

2. Secondary Program

Because motion 3 is a change to the prerequisite for ECS 300, it does not require approval and was therefore received for information.

3. Ryan – Saweczko

Moved to delete FM 20 (Foundations of Mathematics) as an additional requirement for mathematics majors entering Education at the University of Regina.

CARRIED

4. Ryan – Pearce

Moved that the changes to the Secondary Drama Education minor as detailed in Appendix II, page 13 of the agenda material be approved, with the following correction:

In the table for the proposed minor, THDA should be changed to THAS.

CARRIED

5. Proposed Change to BEd Secondary – Religious Education Minor (EREL)

Ryan – Evans

Moved that the current requirement of specific courses that fulfill a Religious Studies minor be revised to allow Education Religious Studies minors to take two courses at the 200-level and one at the 300-level to complete requirements.

CARRIED

It was noted that, in the rationale “Separate” should be changed to “Catholic”.

5.3 Report from the Faculty of Fine Arts

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

1. Pearce – Senkow

Moved that, effective 201310, the Fine Arts Minor in Arts Administration be amended as detailed in Appendix III, page 15 of the agenda material.

CARRIED

2. Pearce - Riemer

Moved that, effective 201310, a Fine Arts Minor in Creative Technologies be created as detailed in Appendix III, pages 15 and 16 of the agenda material.

CARRIED

3. Pearce - Arbuthnott

Moved that, effective 201310, the General Minor in Fine Arts be amended as detailed in Appendix III, page 16 of the agenda material.

CARRIED
4. Pearce - Riemer

Moved that, effective 201320, an International Designation be added as an option for Fine Arts students under Graduation Requirements as §13.6.8 as detailed in Appendix III, page 16 of the agenda material.

Point 2 refers to courses being transferred in but completion of these courses requires prior permission.

Does this include on-line courses? These cases could be handled by point 3. On-line courses would only be included if approved for inclusion.

This regulation does not include distance courses.

Courses taken on Letters of Permission (LOP) or through the Student Exchange Program (SEP) would be included.

Prior permission controls how a course is taken and whether it would qualify for international designation.

It was suggested that point 2 should be amended to insert a reference to courses being required to be taken ‘on-site’.

The question was called on the Pearce-Riemer motion with the following amendment.

The second bullet should read:

- A minimum of three credit hours of courses taken by prior permission of the University of Regina at an on-site, out-of-country post-secondary institution.

CARRIED

ITEM FOR INFORMATION

The new courses, as detailed in Appendix III, pages 16 and 17 of the agenda material, were received for information.

5.4 Report from the Faculty of Science

ITEMS FOR APPROVAL

1. Department of Biology

Mobed – Riemer

Moved to add BIOL 303 (Medical Microbiology) as one of the 300/400-level biology options to the Cell & Molecular Biology area of concentration, as detailed in Appendix IV, pages 18-20 of the agenda material. This applies to both the BSc and BSc Hons. Programs in that area of concentration.

CARRIED

2. Faculty of Science

Mobed – Ryan

Moved to update Section 16.9.1.4 Optional Minor of the Undergraduate Calendar and Course Catalog to include the new minor in Kinesiology as detailed in Appendix IV, page 21 of the agenda material.

CARRIED
3. Department of Physics
Mobed – Riemer

Moved to update the Substitution Note in §16.18.2 of the Undergraduate Calendar and Course Catalog to reflect the archiving of PHYS 129, as detailed in Appendix IV, page 21 of the agenda material. CARRIED

ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

The new, revised and deleted courses, as detailed in Appendix IV, page 22 of the agenda material, were received for information.

5.4 Report from the Faculties of Arts and Fine Arts

ITEM FOR APPROVAL

1. Arts and Culture Program
Louis - Pearce

Moved to suspend admission to the BA Major and Minor in Arts and Culture (as outlined in the 2012/13 Undergraduate Calendar), effective 1 January 2013. Students in these programs must complete their requirements by January 1, 2019.

The nine students currently in the program will be ‘grandfathered’ through the program. A recommendation to eliminate the program will be submitted at a later date.

The question was called on the Louis-Pearce motion. CARRIED

5.6 Change to CCUAS Membership

Ryan – Riemer

Moved that the membership of the Council Committee on Undergraduate Admissions and Studies (CCUAS) be amended as detailed in Appendix VI, page 24 of the agenda material.

It was noted that “Distance Learning” should be changed to “Flexible Learning” in the second point of the standing membership.

The question was called on the Ryan-Riemer motion as amended. CARRIED

6. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

6.1 Date of Next Meeting and Deadline for Submission of Agenda Material

This item was noted for information.

7. CONCLUSION

The meeting concluded at 2:30 p.m.