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**ALEC Undergraduate Curriculum Committee**  
**Minutes**  
**November 8, 2013**

Present: Mark Balschweid, Lloyd Bell, Karen Cannon, Myunghwa Kang, Annie Specht, Roger Terry, Chair, and Laura Snell.

Absent: Dann Husmann, Gina Matkin

**Unfinished/Ongoing Business**

*Minutes*

**Motion: Cannon moved, seconded by Specht, the minutes from the September 13, 2013 minutes were approved.**

*AJRN Production options A & B Change in 2012-2013 bulletin*

Cannon indicated there needs to be a language change for the 2012-13 bulletin to allow students to take any CASNR minor, not just CASNR production minor. This needs to be done so the DARS system recognizes these minors. The current bulletin is so much different than the 2012-13 bulletin that we can't just move everyone to the new bulletin. To make a change in DARS it has to be approved. Substitution Waiver forms are not allowed since the system doesn't recognize these minors. Drs. Terry and Cannon will follow up with Karen Jackson, Dann Husmann and Registration and Records. **Motion approved to proceed.**

*AJRN Name Change*

Balschweid, Terry and Dean Waller attended the Academic Planning Council meeting on November 6, where they approved the program name change to Agricultural and Environmental Sciences Communication from Agricultural Journalism. It will be on the January Board of Regents consent agenda for approval in January. Drs. Waller and Balschweid suggested a soft launch of the name by using it internally with students, faculty and in unofficial capacities. "AESC" should begin the process of converting recruiting materials.

*Academic Dishonesty Policy*

The Faculty Advisory Council wants to update their policy for disciplinary procedures. An ALEC Ad hoc committee (Husmann, Matkin Terry and McElravy) have prepared a proposal for review at our next faculty meeting. Balschweid said this has more to do with instructors and graduate students that are teaching different sections of the same course and having consistency in the disciplinary policy. There was agreement among the UCC that ALEC faculty would view this as a positive issue.

**New Business**

*Environmental Communications Minor*

**Cannon moved to eliminate the Environmental Communications minor. Seconded by Specht.**

Given our new program name, we would like to create a communications minor, but it would be easier to eliminate what we don't use and create something new. Discussion followed about incorporating Natural Resources majors and other majors. **Motion passed.**

Course additions to HRTM Professional electives –

Kang reported that HRTM would like to add the several courses to the Professional Electives part of the curriculum. These courses will allow the students the opportunity to pursue one of the Entrepreneurship minors as part of their coursework.

## **Announcements**

### *Recruiting Coordinator*

Laura Snell, our new recruiting coordinator, was welcomed. Laura has been learning who all is involved with ALEC. She attended the ALEC Advisory Council meeting already this week. She hoped to be the central recruiting person to help with those dual program (2+2). Balschweid expressed because this is a new role for her and for ALEC, we are still working out all the details like travel budget, contacts to make, what's important to attend, etc.

### *Engler Agribusiness Entrepreneurship Minor*

Informational Update - Kang explained there are two different minors in the Engler Agribusiness Entrepreneurship program. HRTM would like to add some courses to the Professional Electives part of the curriculum to allow their students the opportunity to pursue one of the Entrepreneurship minors as part of their coursework. Balschweid said our HRTM students are required to have a leadership minor. This leadership-entrepreneurship minor lends well to them because in this field they are more apt to start or create their own business. This provides a much greater opportunity for those student.

### *International Brown Bag*

Terry encouraged attendance for the November 14, International Brown Bag with speaker Margaret Baker.

Motion to adjourn. Approved.

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