



## Undergraduate Council Minutes

Meeting Minutes  
February 16, 2007

### Opening:

J. Arhar opened the meeting at 10:05 a.m. in Room 304 White Hall.

### Present:

Joanne Arhar, Lisa Audet, Carol Bersani, Natalie Caine-Bish, Dale Curry, Averil McClelland, Anne Morrison, Philip Wang (representing Kimberly Peer), Alexa Sandmann, and Charity Snyder. Also attending were guests: Penny Griffith, Steve Mitchell and Recorder Debi Burnsworth.

### A. Items of Business

#### Minutes

A motion to accept the January 19, 2006 meeting minutes as submitted was made by A. McClelland, seconded by D. Curry, and unanimously approved.

#### Calculation of GPA in Major (Joanne Arhar)

Copies of the “Monthly Curricular Actions—December 2006 to January 2007” from the Office of the Provost was distributed to the Council. J. Arhar asked all to review Section IV, EDUCATIONAL POLICIES COUNCIL, Item 1, the policy for revisions of the Rule for Recalculation of First-Year Grade Point Average (GPA). This revised policy will become effective January, 2008 and replaces the freshmen forgiveness policy. This is also how they will be calculating all grades.

J. Arhar believes we need a consistent policy in place for the College of Education, Health and Human Services regarding how we calculate the GPA in the Major. The new rule for calculation of the GPA for 10000 and 20000 level courses does not include initial (and lower) attempts at a course in the GPA. A suggestion was made that since the new policy is more forgiving than the old policy, our EHHS policy could be more rigorous and count the initial attempts in calculation of GPA.

After extensive discussion a proposal was made by A. McClelland:

This proposal will be edited by J. Arhar who will email it to the Undergraduate Council and all coordinators of undergraduate programs in the college. Faculty will be asked to review the proposal and give their feedback to their Council member in order to bring their thoughts and concerns to the next UGC meeting.

C. Snyder offered to obtain audit reports for each program so the Council members and faculty can see exactly what courses/grades are being used for the 'Major' or 'Content' GPA. It was agreed this would indeed be helpful; she will provide this information to the departments.

This item of business will be carried-over to the next meeting.

Statement on Academic Integrity (Joanne Arhar)

The statement revised by A. Sandmann was distributed for review (Attachment 2).

A. Morrison moved the statement be accepted for use for the College as a whole;

A. McClelland seconded the motion. The statement was unanimously passed.

C. Snyder stated this Statement of Academic Integrity can be included in the freshman advising portfolio if desired; it was agreed to do so.

Adjournment

D. Curry moved the meeting be adjourned; A. Morrison seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Next meeting

The next meeting will be held March 16, 2007, 10-12 Room 304 White Hall.

Minutes submitted by:

Deborah Burnsworth for Joanne Arhar