

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL MEETING

November 12, 2012

3:00 p.m.

1045 Pamplin Hall

AGENDA

1. Adoption of Agenda Dr. Mark McNamee

2. Announcement of approval and posting of minutes of October 15, 2012 Dr. Mark McNamee

These minutes have been voted on electronically and will be posted on the University web.

3. New Business Dr. Mark McNamee

Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies Dr. Audrey Zink-Sharp
Resolution 2012-13B
Resolution to Approve the Bachelor of Science Degree in Packaging Systems and Design

Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies Dr. Audrey Zink-Sharp
Resolution 2012-13C
Resolution to Approve the Bachelor of Science Degree in Sustainable Biomaterials

Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies Dr. Audrey Zink-Sharp
Resolution 2012-13D
Resolution to Establish an Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

4. Announcement of acceptance and posting of Commission Minutes Dr. Mark McNamee

These minutes have been accepted for filing by electronic vote and will be posted on the University web. Note that the purpose of voting on Commission minutes is to accept them for filing. University Council By-laws require that policy items be brought forward in resolution form for University Council action.

Commission on Administrative and Professional Faculty Affairs
October 17, 2012

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October 23, 2012

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Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies
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5. Adjournment

Dr. Mark McNamee

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Present: Mark McNamee (presiding), Jack Lesko for Richard Benson, Lay Nam Chang, Jack Davis, Karen DePauw, Angela Hayes for Elizabeth Flanagan, Perry Martin for William Lewis, Scott Midkiff, Kim O'Rourke, Sue Ott Rowlands, Patricia Perillo, Laura Rugless, Gerhardt Schurig, Dwight Shelton, Kay Hunnings for Richard Sorensen, Tom Tillar, Martin Daniel for Robert Walters, Julie Speer for Tyler Walters, Sherwood Wilson, Bob Smith for Paul Winistorfer, Mike Akers, Christopher Atkins, Linda Bucy, Dan Cook, Maxine Lyons, Joe Merola, Mayuresh Patil, Yannis Stivachtis, Audrey Zink-Sharp for Diane Zahm, Joseph Eska for Charlene Eska, Scott Nelson, Helene Renard, Eugene Brown, Dave Dugas, William Huckle, Jane Robertson, Darla Chudzik, Melissa Means, Jen Mirabella, Wyatt Sasser, Karisa Moore, Jacqueline Nottingham, Karen Poff, Chad R. Mandala for Patricia Smith, Leighton Vila, Dustin Dorph, Luke Hodge, Austin Larrowe, Adam Smith, Anjelica Smith, Paige Waltz, Robyn Jones, Sarah Karpanty, Nicholas Onopa, Sue Teel

Absent Charles Steger (with notice), Alan Grant, Jerry Niles (with notice), Daniel Wubah (with notice), Christine Fiori (with notice), Gary Long, Bruce Pencek, Susanna Rinehart, Deborah Smith (with notice), Mike Denbow, Sam Riley, Debra Salbador (with notice), Eric Wiseman, Teresa Lyons (with notice), Allison Rubio (with notice), Amy Tunison (with notice), Nicole DaDamio (with notice), Lauren Heming, Patrick Tomlin, Shaimaa Abdallah, Elaine Mathis

Guests: Jack Finney, Natalie Hart, Marlena McGlothlin Lester, April Myers, Ellen Plummer

Dr. McNamee called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. A quorum was present.

Dr. McNamee noted that there are a number of events on campus in honor of Veteran's Day and he asked those members of University Council who are veterans to stand in order to be recognized.

1. Adoption of Agenda

A motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda. The motion carried.

2. Announcement of approval and posting of minutes of October 15, 2012

Dr. McNamee noted that these minutes have been voted on electronically and can be publicly accessed on the Governance Information System on the Web (<http://www.governance.vt.edu>).

3. New Business

Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies

Resolution 2012-13B

Resolution to Approve the Bachelor of Science Degree in Packaging Systems and Design

Dr. Audrey Zink-Sharp presented the resolution for first reading. This will be a new degree. Faculty members and courses for this degree are already in place. There is a long history in the Department of Sustainable Biomaterials of working with pallets, containers, and unit loads. This will be an expansion of this long history. Students are interested in sustainable packaging, recycling, renewable packaging, and combustible materials.

It was determined that the executive summary did not include the six credit hours of marketing classes (MKTG 3104 – Marketing Management and MKTG 4204 – Consumer Behavior). Dr. Zink-Sharp indicated that these courses will be added to the executive summary prior to the next University Council meeting.

Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies

Resolution 2012-13C

Resolution to Approve the Bachelor of Science Degree in Sustainable Biomaterials

Dr. Audrey Zink-Sharp presented the resolution for first reading. Currently, the College of Natural Resources and Environment is offering only one degree with multiple majors underneath. These majors do not have enough courses in common to be considered the “same” degree by the State Council of Higher Education for Virginia (SCHEV) standards. This resolution will bring the current undergraduate degree in compliance with requirements of SCHEV. Students in the degree will select from one of three tracks (Sustainable Enterprise, Creating Sustainable Society, and Sustainable Residential Structures). This is a new degree that is a continuation of a current major in Wood Science and Forest Products. The projection is that there will be six new students enrolling in the new degree program along with 70 current students in the existing major.

Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies

Resolution 2012-13D

Resolution to Establish an Undergraduate Curriculum Committee

Dr. Audrey Zink-Sharp presented the resolution for first reading. Presently the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee is a subcommittee of the Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies as opposed to a standing committee. The desire is to parallel the Graduate Curriculum Committee, which is a standing committee that reports to the Commission on Graduate Studies and Policies. Currently members of the subcommittee are also members of the Commission on Undergraduate Studies and Policies. Creating a standing committee whose members are not necessarily members of the Commission would increase the number of people with input into the approval process. The proposed committee includes an undergraduate student representative whereas the current subcommittee does not.

A question was raised as to whether there was assurance that the Enrollment Services representative would always be a staff member (because there are no other staff members on the proposed committee). It was determined that the Enrollment Services slot could be filled by any employee in that office and most likely would be an administrative and professional faculty member or a staff member. A suggestion was made to add a position on the committee specifically for a staff representative.

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5. Announcement

Kim O'Rourke announced that a Director of Ushers is needed beginning with the Spring Commencement ceremonies. It would be ideal to have a volunteer prior to the Fall Commencement ceremonies so that he or she can shadow the current Director of Ushers. This position is responsible for getting Commencement usher volunteers from each of the colleges and being on site during university-wide Commencement ceremonies to direct the ushers, who are responsible for seating guests and distributing programs. Please contact Kim O'Rourke or Dan Taylor (Chair of the Commencement Committee) if interested in becoming the Director of Ushers.

6. Adjournment

There being no further business, a motion was made to adjourn the meeting at 3:17 p.m.