# UNIVERSITY of HOUSTON

# **UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL Minutes for April 18, 2007**

A meeting of the University of Houston Undergraduate Council convened at 3:04 p.m. on Wednesday, April 18, 2007 in room 220 of the E. Cullen Building.

Members Present: Libby Barlow, Betty Barr, Roger Blakeney, Joel Bloom, Simon Bott, Agnes DeFranco, Luces Faulkenberry, Sarah Fishman, Lane Gauthier, Kyne Homerstad, Natalie Houston, Partha Krishnamurthy, Barbara Lewis, Matthew Nicol, Charles Peters, Laurence Rapp, Maria Soliño, George Trail, Lawrence Williams, John Zemanek

Members Absent: Elaine Charlson, William Chernish, Martha Haun, Richard Kasschau, Bill Monroe, William Munson, Irving Rothman, Barbara Snelling, Rebecca Achee Thornton, Francisco Zelaya

Guests: Jerome Crowder (ANTH), Abel Garza (OAA/EEO) Irfan Husain (CLASS-Academic Affairs), Tracy Karner (SOC), Charles Layne (HHP), Steve Liparulo (Writing Center), Brian McKinney (SACS, Academic Affairs), Marilu McGregor (ADMIS), Jeff Morgan (CASA, MATH), Norma Olvera (HHP), Kamran Riaz (DOS), Kevin Simon (HRM)

Staff: Marsha Daly, Heidi Kennedy

#### I Call to Order; Minutes for 3/21/07

Council was called to order by Dr. Joel Bloom at 3:04 p.m. Minutes from 3/21/07 were accepted as written.

## II Announcements

- A NOTE: All meetings are held in the President's Boardroom, #220 E. Cullen, unless otherwise noted. Spring 2007 Meetings: April 18, June 6, and July 11.
- B Undergraduate Council Web Address: <a href="http://www.uh.edu/undergraduatecouncil/index.html">http://www.uh.edu/undergraduatecouncil/index.html</a>
  Core Curriculum Website Address: <a href="http://www.uh.edu/academics/corecurriculum/">http://www.uh.edu/academics/corecurriculum/</a>
  Undergraduate Studies Catalog Web Address: <a href="http://www.uh.edu/academics/catalog/">http://www.uh.edu/academics/catalog/</a>
- **C** E-mail listserves:

UNDERGRAD-COUNCIL@LISTSERV.UH.EDU UC-DEGREE-PROGRAMS@LISTSERV.UH.EDU UC-POLICIES-PROCEDURES@LISTSERV.UH.EDU UC-CORE-CURRICULUM@LISTSERV.UH.EDU UC-NEWS@LISTSERV.UH.EDU (Minutes only)

- **D** George Magner Award for Excellence in Undergraduate Academic Advising: Betty Barr received this award.
- E VA Tech tragedy: Dr. Bloom has sent along the condolences of Council

As discussed at a prior Council meeting, UH has emergency plans in place should such an event happen here.

- **III** Administration Representatives Reports: none
- **IV PeopleSoft update:** Registration has experienced minor glitches that have been addressed.
- V Math Placement Test: Jeff Morgan, Director, Center for Academic Support and Assessment (CASA) and Professor, Department of Mathematics

Incoming students will be directed to the CASA website for the test from the Orientation webpage Orientation: <a href="http://www.uh.edu/dos/orientation/questions.html">http://www.uh.edu/dos/orientation/questions.html</a>. CASA: <a href="http://www.casa.uh.edu/casa/">http://www.casa.uh.edu/casa/</a>.

Advisors will have IDs so they can view the student scores.

The tests are timed and the student will may take each one twice. The higher score will be used.

CASA will monitor the placement test result and match it to actual student registration.

### VI Committee Reports

#### **A** Academic Policies and Procedures Committee:

The following documents were approved by Council:

UC 9274 07S: Academic Policies and Procedures Committee Report 4/4/07

UC 8853 06S: Room Scheduling Procedures

UC 9185 06F: Major and Minor GPA Requirements

UC 9244 07S: Faculty Senate Textbook and Educational Materials Policy (UCC 0011 07S)

UC 9245 07S: Copyright in Works of Authorship (UCC 0012 07S)

UC 9272 07S: Computer Science AP and IB Credit by Exam

UC 9275 07S: Academic Policies and Procedures Committee Report (re: UC 9184 06F) 4/4/07 UC 9184 06F: Repeat policy

UC 9276 07S: Academic Policies and Procedures Committee Report (re: UC 9258 07S) 4/4/07 UC 9258 07S: Academic Notice Policy (change)

UC 9277 07S: Academic Policies and Procedures Committee Report (re: UC 9261 07S) 4/4/07 UC 9261 07S: Undergraduate Grievance Policy – as amended

Revision of CLASS Grievance policy: Council approved the request from Dr. Fishman to amend the CLASS Grievance Policy section to include the 90 day limit as noted in UC 9277 07S.

#### **B** Core Curriculum Committee:

No report.

# **C** Degree Programs Committee:

The following documents were approved by Council:

UC 9279 07S: Degree Programs Committee Report 4/17/07 UC 9257 07S: Geosciences Degree Plan Changes

UC 9259 07S: Computer Science Major: Science Option, Business Option, Software

**Design Option** 

UC 9260 07S: C+ rule for prerequisites in COMM courses

UC 9267 07S: B.S. Math-Option in Math Finance (new option plan)

UC 9268 07S: Math Degree Plan changes

UC 9269 07S: B.S. Kinesiology: Wellness-Fitness Track (new track)

UC 9270 07S: Air Force Science Minor changes

UC 9271 07S: B.A. American Sign Language Interpreting (new degree)

UC 9273 07S: Visual Studies Minor (new minor)

- VI Old Business/New Business: No Old/New Business to report.
- VII Adjourned at 4:25 p.m.