# UNIVERSITY of HOUSTON

# **UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL Minutes for September 20, 2006**

A meeting of the University of Houston Undergraduate Council convened at 3:02 p.m. on Wednesday, September 20, 2006 in the Boardroom, room 220 E. Cullen.

Members Present: Libby Barlow, Betty Barr, Roger Blakeney, Joel Bloom, Elaine Charlson, Agnes DeFranco, Sarah Fishman, Layne Gauthier, Martha Haun, Kyne Homerstad, Natalie Houston, Partha Krishnamurthy, Barbara Lewis, Bill Monroe, Matthew Nicol, Charles Peters, Laurence Rapp, Irving Rothman, Barbara Snelling, Maria Soliño, Rebecca Achee Thornton, George Trail, Lawrence Williams

Members Absent: Simon Bott, William Chernish, Luces Faulkenberry, Richard Kasschau, William Munson, Lien Pham, Francisco Zelaya, John Zemanek

Guests: Sandy Frieden (PeopleSoft Change Management), Amna Khalique (The Daily Cougar)

Staff: Marsha Daly

#### I Call to Order; Minutes for 8/30/06

Council was called to order by Dr. Joel Bloom at 3:02 p.m. Minutes from 8/30/06 were accepted as written.

#### II Announcements

- A NOTE: All meetings are held in the President's Boardroom, #220 E. Cullen Fall 2006 Meetings: October 18, November 15, and December 6. Spring 2007 Meetings: January 24, February 21, March 21, 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)

#### **III** Administration Representatives Reports:

GPA: Currently we truncate at 2 decimal places and the transcript prints 2 decimal places. In PeopleSoft we will be rounding from 4 decimal places to 3 decimal places. You will see 3 decimal places on the screens, only 2 decimal places will print on the transcript.

1.996 – 1.999 will round up to 2.0.

# VI Committee Reports

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

The following documents were approved by Council:

UC 8851 06S: Academic Policies & Procedures Committee (re UC 8808 05F) 2/16/06

#### **B** Core Curriculum Committee: no report

No report

#### C Degree Programs Committee:

The following documents were approved by Council:

UC 8896 06F: Degree Programs Committee Report 9/13/06 – to be distributed at meeting

### V FYI Reports:

Decisions indicated in the FYI documents (UC 8887 06F, UC 8888 06F, and UC 8889 06F) relating to PeopleSoft are not firm at this point.

Share these reports with your units.

#### VI Old Business/New Business

#### New:

Quality Enhancement Program (Dr. Williams) – Dr. Charlson is chairing the committee that has been tasked with identifying 2-3 ideas to improve education at the University of Houston. They will then be passed on to the Reaffirmation of Accreditation Leadership Team. SACS will follow up on the initiative selected at the 5 year mark.

Teaching Excellence Award Committee: George Trail was selected as the Council representative.

Dr. Barlow and the Core Curriculum Committee will meet with Peggy Mackie relating to issues with SACS General Learning Outcomes assessment.

## VII Adjourned at 3:35 p.m.