

Minutes of the Meeting
January 22, 1991

ATTENDANCE

1.1 Members Present. Anderson, Bacon, A. Bandstra, J. Bandstra, Beetley, Breault, Burtch, Carey, A. Cook, M. Cook, Dudek, Etienne, Ferdowski, Groner, Henry, Horn, Kantar, King, Lewis, Lovsted, Matrosic, Middleton, Muccio, Mullet, Oldfield, Ovans, Pearson, Pomnichowski, Powell, Ravell, Russell, Thapa, Totten, Travis, Uniacke, Valas, Vasicek.

1.2 Members Absent. Caskey (excused), Peterson (excused).

1.3 Guests. K. Acton, J. Alexander, D. Burcham, J. Christafferson, D. Frank, S. Hammersmith, M. A. Hashimi, B. Jacobs, C. Jones, G. Kebler, J. Lindsey, M. Lofquist, J. Maas, L. McCrank, B. Pillsbury, S. Sytsma, J. Thorpe, S. Travis, R. Windle.

CALL TO ORDER

2.1 President Russell called the meeting to order at 7:00p.m. in the President's Room, Rankin Center.

SPECIAL BUSINESS:

Final Approval of the Report of the General Education Task Force

3.1 Dudek moved that the Senate extend final approval to the Report of the General Education Task Force. Oldfield supported.

3.2 Valas moved to divide the question as follows:

1. Associate Degree Curriculum
2. Baccalaureate Degree Curriculum
3. General Education Council
4. General Provisions

3.3 It was the decision of the chair that the question was not divisible.

3.4 Valas moved to challenge the decision of the chair. Henry supported. The decision of the chair was not sustained by a vote of 16-20.

3.5 The amendment to divide the question carried.

Approval of Associate Degree Curriculum

4.1 Valas moved that the Senate extend final approval to the Associate Degree Curriculum proposal in the Report of the General Education Task Force. Thapa supported.

4.2 Etienne moved to amend the motion to read: Every student shall complete a full year of writing. The associate degree granting programs should be allowed—

in consultation with their accrediting agencies and their advisory committees--
to decide which two of the following three areas to select for their program:
(1) Speech Communication, (2) Social Awareness, (3) Cultural Enrichment.

M. Cook supported.

4.3 Oldfield moved to amend the amendment as follows:

I. Communication Skills

Minimum hours required: 9

Every student shall complete the following:

A. Composition

1. Freshman Composition (at least 3 hours)
2. Sophomore-level course (3 hours to be taken from either
Research Writing (2xx) or Technical Writing (ENG 211)

B. Speech

One of the following courses
SPC 105, SPC 121, SPC 251, or SPC 305

Beetley supported. The amendment to the amendment failed.

4.4 The amendment to the main motion carried.

4.5 Horn moved to amend the motion as follows:

V. Cultural Enrichment

Minimum hours required: 3

Every student shall complete one course selected from the following
categories:

Art (ART)

Drama (DRM), also Oral Interpretation (SPC 231) will be included
in this area

Foreign Languages (FRE, GER, SPA)

History (HST)

Humanities (HUM)

Literature (LIT)

Music (MUS)

Groner supported. The amendment to the main motion carried.

4.6. Horn moved to amend the motion as follows:

V. Cultural Enrichment

Minimum hours required: 3

Every student shall complete one course selected from the following
categories:

Art (ART)

Drama (DRM), also Oral Interpretation (SPC 231) will be included
in this area

Foreign Languages (FRE, GER, SPA)
History (HST)
Humanities (HUM)
Literature (LIT)
Music (MUS)

with the addition of

Intercultural Communication (SPC 365)

Lewis supported.

4.7 Anderson moved to call for the question. Oldfield supported.
The motion to call for the question carried.

4.8 The amendment to the main motion failed.

4.9 Oldfield moved to amend the main motion as follows:

II. Quantitative Skills

Every student must demonstrate proficiency for placement into MTH121

III. Scientific Understanding (3-4 hrs)

Every student shall complete one course chosen from the
natural sciences disciplines:

Astronomy (AST)
Biology (BIO)
Chemistry (CHM)
Geology (GEL)
Physical Geography (GEG 111 or GEG 112)
Physics (PHY)
Physical Sciences (PHS)

Burtch supported. The amendment carried by a vote of 18-15.

4.10 The main motion as amended carried.

Final approval of the Baccalaureate Degree Curriculum

5.1 Dudek moved that the Senate extend final approval to the Baccalaureate
Degree Curriculum proposal in the Report of the General Education Task Force.
Valas supported.

5.2 Anderson moved to amend the motion as follows:

Part 1 Baccalaureate Degree Curriculum (semesters)

I. Delete the following sections:

- I. Communications Skills, Sections A. #3, B. #2 and notes
- II. Quantitative Skills, Section B. Statistics and note
- III. Computer Skills, Entire Section
- VII. Global Consciousness, Entire Section
- VIII. Values, Ethics, and Decision Making, Entire Section

II. Add the following statements

1. The minimum General Education Requirements hours by area are as follows:

Area	Min. Hours
Communication Skills	9
Quantitative Skills	3
Scientific Understanding	4
Social Awareness	(6)
Cultural Enrichment	(6)
Total Social Aware. & Cult. Enrich.	15
Program Specified Gen. Ed.	7
Total	38

2. All programs will incorporate coursework that are certified to provide competence in a minimum of 6 of the 8 content areas listed below. Student competence will be shown by successful completion of required program coursework. The content area courses may be in the program courses or in the specified electives.

1. Statistics
2. Computer skills
3. Non-western culture
4. Western culture
5. Advanced speech
6. Advanced writing
7. Global Consciousness
8. Values, Ethics, and Decision Making

III. Change the following sections as listed below:

IV. Scientific Understanding - Minimum hours to 4

- V. Social Awareness
1. Minimum hours to 6
 2. Section B to One additional course
 3. One 300 or 400 level course in either Social Awareness or Cultural Enrichment

VI. Cultural Enrichment -

1. Minimum hours to 6
2. 2 course and 6 credit hours
3. One 300 or 400 level course in either Social Awareness or Cultural Enrichment

The amendment failed by a vote of 17-17.

5.3 Groner moved for a roll call vote. M. Cook supported. The motion failed by a vote of 14-16.

ADJOURNMENT

6.1 M. Cook moved to adjourn until next Tuesday. Groner supported. The motion carried.

6.2 President Russell declared the meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

NEXT MEETING

7.1 The next meeting of the Academic Senate will be on Tuesday, January 29, 1991, at 7:00 p.m. at the Clarion Hotel and Conference Center, University D.

7.2 The next regular meeting of the Academic Senate will be on Tuesday, February 5, 1991, at 10:05 a.m. in the President's Room, Rankin Center.

Respectfully submitted,

Alice Bandstra

Approved:
