Minutes UCC 4/28/08

Present:

UCC Voting: Robert Aboolian, Dawn Formo, Gabriela Sonntag, Richelle Swan, Kara Witzke,

Olaf Hansen

Excused: Annette Daoud

Ex officio: Virginia Mann, David Barsky

1. We approved the minutes from our April 21 meeting.

- 2. In the last Senate meeting it was mentioned, that in the two proposals for the certificates from the College of Business Administration the new title was only added at the title page but not throughout the document. Virginia Mann will replace the old title in the whole document, once she has an electronic copy.
- 3. UCC will ask Scott Greenwood if he would agree to add two Japanese classes JAPN301 and JAPN302 to the list of classes suitable for the fulfillment of the second language requirement.
- 4. UCC approved the unit and description change for WMST330.
- 5. UCC started the review of the Border Studies Option in Liberal Studies.
 - 5.1. UCC will ask the originator to replace the abbreviation BRS to "Border Studies" throughout the document and especially in the catalog copy, so there is no reference to Border and Regional Studies.
 - 5.2. The second paragraph of the catalog copy starts with "Building on the strength..". UCC would like to ask the originator to delete this part of the sentence, because usually we don't emphasize the quality of the faculty of certain departments in the catalog. So the second paragraph would start with "The Option in Border Studies serves as..".
 - 5.3. On page 14 in the table of the units the three items Upper-division Core Courses for the Option, Research Methods, Elective courses for the Option, should be collapsed into one item: Major Requirements.
 - 5.4. In the same table on page 14 the parenthesis should be removed and the item "Lower-Division Preparation for the Major" should get a footnote saying "9 units of lower division General Education are automatically satisfied by courses taken in Preparation for the Major".
 - 5.5. On page 15 "Elective Courses in the Option" should be replaced by "Upper Division Major Electives".
 - 5.6. On page 15 and 16, the courses for Social Issues and Political Economy, Cultural Contact, and Planning should be listed.
 - 5.7. The units on page 15 and 16 should be adjusted according to item 7 of the P-Form.
 - 5.8. On the title page of the form UCC will ask for the signatures to the items 3.b and 3.d.
 - 5.9. UCC started to discuss how closely an option must be tied to a department. Also the new option seems to be quite different than the other two options in Liberal Studies, the question was raised in how much different options should also have a common core. David Barsky mentioned that this is not a requirement and that the new option will have a short paragraph preceding it, saying that this option has a different purpose than the two other options in Liberal Studies.