BLINN COLLEGE

**CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MINUTES**

# DATE: July 14, 2014

**PLACE:** Bryan

**PRESENT:** Max Hibbs (Assistant Dean for STEM), Lee Don Bienski (Assistant Dean for STEM), Deborah Noe (Academic Affairs), Linda Richardson (Faculty, STEM), Terry Honan (Faculty, STEM), Sunil Segu (Department Head for Visual and Performing Arts), Craig Jeffrey (Assistant Dean for Visual and Performing Arts), Britney Hibbeler (Department Heard for Visual and Performing Arts), Abby Baumgardner (Department Heard for STEM), Amy Winningham (Assistant Dean for Humanities), Mary Barnes-Tilley (Assistant Dean for Social Science), John Schaffer (Assistant Dean for Humanities), Linda Bow (Department Head for Humanities), Katherine Wickes (Faculty, Social Science), Eric Miller (Faculty, Social Science), Ken French (Faculty, STEM), Robert Stanberry (Faculty, Social Science), and Linda Flynn (Dean of Library Services).

**(This list of attendees reflects those who signed the attendee record and their title at the time of the meeting. Others were present for this meeting).**

The following discussions took place before the Curriculum Committee was re-established. Also, the following discussions took place before a secretary was put in place. Sylvia McMullen sent the following information to me so the items could be added to the meeting’s minutes.

1. Sign-in list of attendees passed around.
2. Voting members are

3 representatives from each division, including Health Science

3 faculty representatives– seeking input from Robert Nelson, Chair of Faculty Senate

Deans are ex-officio members

The Dean of Library Services is a voting member

1. Mary Barnes-Tilley will send the changes that had been made to the by-laws

1. Website needs to be updated.

1. This will be an interim committee until a full voting committee is in place.

1. John Schaffer agreed to serve as Interim Chair. Brandon Franke will serve as Chair.

Amy Winningham agreed to serve as Interim Secretary.

(The following took place after Schaffer and Winningham were nominated. Since the above items were not on an official agenda, I decided not to include them in the official agenda section below).

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| AGENDA | **DISCUSSION** | **RECOMMENDATIONS/CONCLUSIONS** |
| I. Call to Order  | Called to order at 3:45 pm by John Schaffer.  |  |
| II. Old Business  | None |  |
| III. New Business | 1. **New Course Proposal**

Diane Lovell presented ANTH 2401, a lecture/lab course. The course will be taught beginning in Fall 2014. Katherine Wickes explained the need for the course; it aligns with the science curriculum and A&M and other institutions accept the course. Course is not proposed as a core course. It is an elective course that will transfer to A&M and other institutions.  1. **New Course Proposal**

Diane Lovell presented ANTH 2389, a specialty course. The course will be taught beginning Fall 2014. Katherine Wickes explained why students would want to take the course. Core objectives need to be added to the proposal. John Schaffer asked about library resources for the course. | A. Mary Barnes-Tilley made a motion to accept the proposal. Max Hibbs seconded the motion. Motion passed. B. Linda Bow made a motion to accept the proposal. Robert Stanberry seconded the motion. Motion passed. |
| IV. Announcements | Committee by-laws will be changed. |  |
|  V. Next Meeting | Next meeting is scheduled for August 22, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. | John Schaffer adjourned the meeting at 4:10 pm. |

 Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Winningham, Assistant Dean for Humanities