

**Minutes #324**  
**Special Meeting of the College of Education Senate**  
**January 27, 2004**  
**3:15 p.m.**  
**Dean's Conference Room**

Present: Greg Reed, Lynn Nielsen, Deb Deemer, Mick Mack for Kevin Finn, Jody Stone, Amy Staples, Guests: Jerry Smith, Vice-Chair of the Liberal Arts Core Committee, Nadene Davidson, PLS

**1. The meeting was called to order at 3:15 by Chair, Sherry Gable.**

**2. Approval of Minutes**

Greg Reed moved and Amy Staples seconded that COE Senate Minutes #322 of December 15, 2003, be approved. Motion carried.

Amy Staples moved and Jody Stone seconded that Minutes #323 for the COE Senate Special Meeting on Curriculum Proposals held on January 17, be approved as corrected. Motion carried.

**3. OLD BUSINESS**

**A. COE senate plan for receiving faculty input regarding COE reorganization**

Dean Cornett reported that Department Chairs have been charged with the responsibility of initiating conversations within departments regarding the reorganization proposal. Discussion and questions followed.

Dean Cornett and Sherry Gable will meet to develop a statement summarizing the current status of the reorganization proposal. This statement, distributed to all COE faculty members, will also invite faculty to provide input to their Senate representative. The COE Reorganization will be on the February agenda.

**4. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Liberal Arts Core**

Jerry Smith, Vice-Chair of the Liberal Arts Core Committee summarized the LAC proposal which would reduce the size of the core in accordance with recommendations from an evaluation of the Liberal Arts Core program. The present program includes 47 course credits. Smith reported that the typical program in other comparable universities is 37 hours. The new program would reduce Humanities by 2 hours. In addition, 3 hours would be reduced from the offerings in the Social Sciences area leaving the LAC with a total of 42 hours. The LAC Committee is also

proposing to open the 2 hour Capstone course requirement to courses from across campus which could be proposed by departments or colleges for approval in this Capstone program area.

**B. Request for Emeritus Status—Dick Hawkes**

Greg Reed moved and Jody Stone seconded that Dick Hawkes be recommended for Emeritus Status at the University. Motion carried.

**C. Resolution from Greg Stefanich Regarding the University Budget**

Following discussion of the resolution, Deborah Gallagher moved and Jody Stone seconded that the COE invite Greg Stefanich to the February meeting of the COE Senate in order to discuss this resolution. Motion carried.

**D. UNI Iowa Accreditation Report**

Dean Cornett reported that the exit report identified two areas of concern: Governance of teacher education and Clinical Experiences.

**5. Dean's Report**

Dean Cornett reported that the COE administration had been directed to plan for cuts of approximately \$928,216 by July 1 of 2004. New information received from University administrators reduces that figure by \$500,000, leaving the current cut \$428,216.

Jody Stone moved and Greg Reed seconded that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Lynn E. Nielsen  
COE Senate Secretary