The committee met on Tuesday, April 24, 2012, at 11:00 a.m. in Room 210 Strong Hall. The following were present: Bradley, Burright, Childers, Conrad, Corbeill, Crosby, Fischer, Gray, Hurst, Jackson, Jelks, Ledom, Neidert, Pye, Vanchena

MINUTES Professor Fischer chaired the meeting. A motion was made to approve (as corrected) April 10, 2012 meeting minutes of the Committee on Undergraduate Studies & Advising. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

CHAIR’S REPORT Professor Fischer brought forth a request from Ms. Karen Ledom that the committee meet again on May 8 to try to complete some of the unfinished business of this committee. Professor Fischer reminded members that this will be during finals week. Concerns were expressed that the committee was expected to complete the general education requirements for the KU Core by the next meeting. Given the short amount of time the committee has had to work on this issue, and given the scope and complexity, holding an additional meeting will not necessarily guarantee a definitive outcome from this committee on this issue. Ms. Ledom mentioned that was not the only reason to ask for an additional meeting as there are other unfinished business items to discuss as well. Lunch will be provided at this meeting.

Professor Fischer reported that he attended a meeting of the School of Engineering’s Curriculum Committee. During this meeting they discussed the KU Core and what they would need to do to meet the requirements in their department.

DEAN’S OFFICE REPORT Ms. Ledom reported that Dean Goldstein was out of town.

CLA&S STUDENT ACADEMIC SERVICES REPORT No report at this time.

SUBCOMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

A. ADVISING & AWARDS
   The following awards were presented:
   - Allen S. Wilbert Scholarship: Jong J. Jeon-$7,000; Kelli K. Williams-$7,000
   - Betty Wahlstedt: Paul A. Thomas-$750; Jon M. Nelson-$750
   - Hilden Gibson Award: Jon M. Nelson-$700
   - Paul Lawson Award: Bonnie K. Ewart-Fisher-$1,000
   - Van Eekeren Family Scholarship: Carolisa G. Watson-$2,000; Regina L. Bird-$1,200; Skyler Q. Richardson-$1,200; Bobby B. Golen-$1,200; Joann X. Gonzalez-$1,200
   - Veta B. Lear: Liesel A. Reussner-$500; Mitchell D. Newton-$500; Jessica F. Gregory-$500

B. CURRICULAR CHANGES/DEGREE REQUIREMENTS
   Professor Conrad presented the following:
   1a. Curricular Changes for Approval:

   NEW COURSES APPROVED: ABSC 360, ABSC 562, CLSX 538, GIST 202, GIST 203, GIST 502, HA 538, HWC 538, TAJ 510, TAJ 532

   Approved with the following contingents: ABSC 562, not a cross listed course; GIST 203, with consult from African & African American Studies as to possible duplication; TAJ 510 and TAJ 532, the committee asked for additional rational from the department.

   CHANGES APPROVED: PHSX 681

   DELETIONS:

   * FIRST YEAR SEMINAR COURSES APPROVED: BIOL 177, GEOL 177, HIST 177, LING 177, MATH 177, PSYC 177, PUAD 177, SPAN 177, THR 177
2. Degree Requirements for Approval

APPROVED:
Changes to Existing BA Major in Dance
New Principal Course Designation for ASTR 394
New Principal Course Designation for CHEM 170

TABLED:
Change to Existing Major in Humanities
• New concentration within existing major
• Deletion of existing major TRACK

Approved with the following change to ASTR 394, change word starts to stars in description.

*First Year Seminar Experiences Course Degree Requirements for Approval:
BIOL 177, BUS 177, ENGR 177, GEOL 177, HIST 177, JOUR 177, LING 177, MATH 177, PSYC 177,
PUAD 177, SPAN 177, THR 177

*The committee was asked to consider, as a pilot program, the new First Year Seminar Courses from the Office of First Year Experience in advance of the new general education requirements. It was noted that these courses will need to go through the vetting process for the KU Core next year and this would be a temporary, one semester approval only.

After lengthy discussion, many questions and concerns were brought forward and extensive debate took place. Two motions were made; the first motion was made and seconded to approve the courses for one semester only, the motion passed by a vote of: 8-approve and 2-oppose. The second motion was made to review each course individually to see if they constitute principal courses. The motion was not seconded. After much more debate and discussion about what constituted principal courses, another motion was made and seconded to approve all courses as principal courses for the pilot program for the Fall 2012 semester. The motion carried by a vote of: 5-approve, 4-oppose, 1-abstention.

A request was made that the CUSA membership be consulted in a much more timely manner in the future, so that they can be allowed the time to carefully consider the matters at hand to better help them make more informed decisions.

C. ACADEMIC STANDARDS
No report at this time.

Meeting adjourned at 12:39 p.m.