I. Welcome

II. Approval of CUSA Minutes from January 28, 2014

III. Dean’s Office Update

IV. SAS Office Update

V. Subcommittee Chair Reports
   a. Curricular Changes/Degree Requirements
      1. Curricular Changes for Approval:
         NEW COURSES: EVRN 338, POLS 102
         CHANGES: None
      2. Degree Requirements for Approval:
         None
      3. KU Core Proposals (Attachment 1)

   b. Academic Standards Report
      a. Undergraduate Certificates Continuing Discussion

   c. Advising and Awards
      a. BGS Continuing Discussion

VI. Adjournment
COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES AND ADVISING
Minutes of the Meeting for January 28, 2014

The committee met on Tuesday, January 28, 2014, at 11:15 a.m. in Room 210 Strong Hall. The following were present: Antonik, Bayer, Bradley, Brumfield, Conrad, Fillian, Garibotto, Gegenheimer, Goldstein, Hilding, Kelly, Ledom, Neidert, Persley, Rockey, Stock, Zogry
Guests: J. Moran, J. Johnson

Welcome: Professor Neidert called the meeting to order.

Approval of CUSA Minutes: A motion was made to approve the December 10, 2013 and January 14, 2014 meeting minutes of the Committee on Undergraduate Studies & Advising. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

Dean’s Office Update: No report at this time.

SAS Office Update: No report at this time.

Professor Jeff Moran, Chair of History – HIST 415 discussion
Professor Moran, Chair of the History Department was present to discuss the submission of HIST 415, AMERICA’S WORST PRESIDENTS. This was presented as a new course for CUSA’s consideration for approval at the 11-12-13 meeting and subsequently sent back to the History Department for changes. After discussion and feedback from CUSA the consensus was that the wording of “Witless Wonders of the White House” should be changed. CUSA requested that this course be re-submitted after changes are made.

Subcommittee Assignments:
A. Curricular Changes/Degree Requirements/ KU Core Proposals
   1. Curricular Changes for Approval
      Professor Conrad presented the Curricular Changes nominations. A motion was made to approve the Curricular Changes. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.

      NEW COURSES APPROVED: GEOG 372, LAA 102
      CHANGES APPROVED: ART 540, GEOG 396, GIST 301*, PSYC 483

      *GIST 301 – approved as amended

   2. Degree Requirements for Approval
      Professor Conrad presented the Curricular Changes nominations. A motion was made to approve the Curricular Changes. The motion was seconded and passed unanimously.
      a. Changes to Existing Major Admission Requirements – Global and International Studies
      b. Changes to Existing Departmental Honors Requirements - Mathematics

   3. KU Core Proposals
      a. Professor Conrad presented the KU Core Proposals. A motion was made to approve the KU Core Proposals. The motion was seconded and passed with one abstention.
      b. Old Business: KU Core AAAS 433 – After a lengthy discussion regarding the requested 5.1 goal and learning outcome, a motion was made to approve AAAS 433 for 5.1 contingent upon revising the course description providing more clarification. The motion was seconded and approve unanimously.

      b. Academic Standards Report
         a. Certificate Programs
            Professor Antonik reported that the subcommittee will develop several examples of certificate programs to propose for next steps. Dean Goldstein interjected that CUSA should continue to develop a philosophy, vision and process for the certificate programs. CUSA could then offer guidance and the process for developing certificate programs to the departments. The subcommittee will compile a comprehensive written document to present to the full committee at the next meeting.
c. Advising and Awards
   a. BGS Continuing Discussion
   Mr. Fillian sent out data requested at the last meeting. Professor Neidert asked that if committee members have additional data that they would like, please e-mail either her or Mr. Fillian with your requests as soon as possible. Mr. Fillian will be sending out a survey to current BGS students and asked CUSA members what information they would like from the students in regards to the BGS degree.

Adjournment 12:40 p. m.
a. Curricular Changes/Degree Requirements

1. Curricular Changes for Approval/Motion to File

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

CHANGE: NEW COURSE
EVRN 338 PERMACULTURE DESIGN 6 N
Students learn how a local, sustainable design system known as permaculture design creates an ecologically sound and economically viable way of living. The course consists of lecture, field, and practicum sessions. Lecture topics include food security, permaculture ethics, ecological principles, system design, sustainable soils, food production, food forests, earth works, and construction of human habitats.

POLITICAL SCIENCE

CHANGE: NEW COURSE
POLS 102 INTRODUCTION TO POLITICAL SCIENCE AS A CAREER 1.0 S
Provides an overview of the discipline of political science; emphasizes developing an understanding of opportunities in political science at the University of Kansas and careers with a political science degree. Major sub-fields within the discipline are discussed as well as the benefits of particular tracks within the departmental coursework. The course helps students plan their goals for their education and match those goals to career goals. KU-degree-seeking students should contact the Political Science Department to enroll in the course. Non-degree-seeking and non-KU students may enroll in the course by signing up with KU Continuing Education. Graded on a satisfactory/unsatisfactory basis.