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UNIVERSITY OF HOUSTON UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL
JANUARY 25, 2006

A meeting of the University of Houston Undergraduate Council convened at 3:06 p.m. on Wednesday, January 25, 2006, in the Boardroom, room 220 E. Cullen.

Members Present: Betty Barr, Joel Bloom, Simon Bott, William Chernish, Agnes DeFranco, Luces Faulkenberry, Sarah Fishman, Horace Gray, Martha Haun, Natalie Houston, Richard A. Kasschau, William Monroe, Norman Nelson, Matthew Nicol, Charles Peters, Richard Scamell, Barbara Snelling, Maria Solino, Barbara Tatum, Rebecca Achee Thornton, , George Trail, Lawrence Williams, John Zemanek

Members Absent: Roger Blakeney, Elizabeth Branch, Elaine Charlson, Ross Lence, William Munson, Hezal Patel,

Guests: Susanna Finnell (Admissions), Jerome Freiberg (Faculty Senate), George Gamble (Bauer College of Business, Faculty Senate), Maria Gonzalez (English, Faculty Senate), Jenna McManus (*The Daily Cougar*), Laura Oren (Law, Faculty Senate), Jim Query (Communications), Dan Wells (Faculty Senate)

Staff: Heidi Kennedy and Marsha Daly

I Call to Order

Council Chair Lawrence Williams called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m. Minutes from 12/7/05 were accepted as written.

II Announcements

A Scheduled Meetings for Undergraduate Council, in 220 E Cullen Building
Spring Meetings: January 25, February 22, March 22, April 19, June 7, and July 12

B Core Curriculum Website: <http://www.uh.edu/academics/corecurriculum/>
Undergraduate Studies Catalog Website: <http://www.uh.edu/academics/catalog/>
Undergraduate Council Website: <http://www.uh.edu/undergraduatecouncil/index.html>

C E-mail listserves:

UNDERGRAD-COUNCIL@LISTSERV.UH.EDU
UC-DEGREE-PROGRAMS@LISTSERV.UH.EDU
UC-POLICIES-PROCEDURES@LISTSERV.UH.EDU
UC-CORE-CURRICULUM@LISTSERV.UH.EDU
UC-NEWS@LISTSERV.UH.EDU

D Heidi Kennedy is the new Director of Academic Program Management

E Ombudsperson is being hired

F The Coordinating Board representative will be here in February to discuss our Core Curriculum

G Election of new Council chair will be held in April. Please consider running for the position.

H Ross Lence was on campus as a guest lecturer today.

III Faculty Senate Commission on University Governance (FS-CoUG) Final Report

A motion was made to support the effort of the Commission and the principles of the document. Seconded and accepted.

IV Committee Reports

A Academic Policies & Procedures Committee

No report.

B Core Curriculum Committee

No report.

C Degree Programs Committee

The following documents were approved by Council:

UC 8827 05F: Degree Programs Committee Report 12/15/05

UC 8840 05F: Degree Programs Committee Report 1/17/05

V Old Business/New Business

Undergraduate Studies catalog:

All documents approved this academic year will be effective Fall 2006 unless otherwise stated.

Recommended that we have an archived on-line catalog that is consistent with the printed version.

On-line catalog should be updated with new curriculum in interim year.

UC 8841 06S: Textbook Policy (Faculty Senate meeting 1/25/06): Dan Wells

Teaching Evaluations: Provost wants some questions currently included on the form rewritten so there would be a cross department/college comparison possible.

VI Adjourned at 4:42 p.m.