Minutes from Faculty Senate Academic Affairs Committee Meeting
September 18 2008
Library Conference Room

Members Present:
Greg Anderson, Ken Nelson, Cliff Summar, George Lawson, Sylvia Asay, Marc
Albrecht; Kim Schipporeit, and Debbie Bridges representing administration
Members Absent: Laurie Swinney, Darleen Mitchell, Jeremy Dillon (resigned); Eric
LeMunyan and Criss Salinas student representatives

Guests: Scott Darveau, Kim Carlson, Brad Ericson

Meeting Convened at 4:05

Dr. Carlson and Dr. Ericson began the meeting by summarizing the (the previous version
was an emphasis in Molecular Biology, this is a stand-alone major and must go through
the whole approval process - BOR, CCPE) Comprehensive Major in Molecular Biology
(Item #4), the creation of the Seminar in Molecular Biology (Item #3). These changes
have been precipitated by greater emphasis in medical schools and on the MCAT on
molecular biology.

Dr. Darveau outlined all the changes in the Chemistry program (Items #5 - #28). Labs are
being separated from lecture sections, and affected programs are being altered to reflect
these changes. Two new seminars are being created (Items #09, #13) and new classes:
Materials, Qualitative Organic Analysis (Items #15, #16). There are also changes to the
Chemistry majors to reflect new American Chemical Society guidelines for certification
(Professional Chemist’s Comprehensive option and Biochemistry and Business/Sales
Emphasis; Items #23, #25). Finally, there are changes to the Chemistry minor to reflect
changes outlined above (Item #26).

Discussion of these changes took place; several items were explained in detail by Dr.
Darveau. The changes in the Chemistry minor were of concern because the program
would have had 27 hours as proposed. More discussion took place concerning what
precedent this would set and how many hours are required by other majors.

Lawson moved that all items except #26, #29, and #30 be accepted in their present form.
Anderson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item #30 (altering PHYS 209) was not considered because paperwork had not come
through for the cross-listed version of this class to the committee.

Lawson moved to approve #29 the changes to Respiratory Therapy Comprehensive
Major Asay seconded. The motion was defeated unanimously.

Asay moved to send back #29 and have Ms. Abels come before the committee and
explain the number of elective hours in the program (20). Lawson seconded, and the
motion was passed unanimously.
After Dr. Darveau stated one hour could be dropped from the Chemistry minor Summar proposed to approve #26 changes in the Chemistry minor. Asay seconded the motion and it passed with 1 dissenting vote from Anderson.

Lawson moved to adjourn, Scheiporeit seconded the motion at 5:15.

Respectfully Submitted,

Marc Albrecht