Academic Council met on Friday, November 14, 2008 at 2:00 p.m. in 308 Tillman Hall.

Members:

- Beth Greene: Mathematics
- Costner: Design
- Chad Dresbach: English
- Matthew Fike: Management and Marketing
- Steve Frankforter: Marketing
- Susan Green: Center for Pedagogy
- Mark Hamilton: Fine Arts
- Mel Horton: Health and Physical Ed
- Kelly James*: Sociology and Anthropology
- Mark Mitchell*: Center for Pedagogy
- Donna Nelson: Psychology
- Chasta Parker: Chemistry
- Hemant: Management and Marketing
- Patwardhan: Management and Marketing
- Marilyn Smith: Biology
- Julian Smith: Center for Pedagogy
- Sue Spencer*: Library
- Gale Teaster*: Computer Science
- Will Thacker*: Council of Student Leaders
- Tatiana Sosa*: Registrar, Secretary
- Tim Drueke: Registrar, Secretary

* Absent

Guests present: Cheryl Fortner-Wood, Mark Herring, Tom Moore, Joe Barraco (CSL)

The meeting was called to order at 2:03 p.m. by Chair Costner.

I. Minutes

The minutes of the September 26, 2008 meeting were approved by email.

II. Chair’s Remarks

Chair Costner hoped all was well with the members of the council and that advising and registration were going smoothly.

III. Committee Reports

A. Committee on Undergraduate Instruction

Chad Dresbach, Chair of the Committee on Undergraduate Instruction, presented the items from the October 31, 2008 meeting. The following items did not require Council approval.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

Department of Sociology and Anthropology
Modify ANTH 220 (3) Introduction to Archaeology to change course content and change from biological science to earth science. (modify course)
Add ANTH 302 (3) Anthropological Theory. (new course)
Add ANTH 401 (3) Independent Study in Anthropology. (new course)
Add ANTH 463 (1) Academic Internship in Anthropology. (new course)
Add ANTH 464 (2) Academic Internship in Anthropology. (new course)
Add ANTH 503 A, B (1) (3) Service-Learning in Anthropology. (new course)
Modify SOCL 463 Academic Internship in Sociology (3) to change credit hours from 3 to 1. (modify course)
Add SOCL 464 (2) Academic Internship in Sociology. (new course)
Modify SOCL 498 (1) Senior Seminar in Sociology to change course number to 598 and to change prerequisites from “Completion of 21 semester hours in SOCL” to “Completion of 21 semester hours in SOCL. Undergraduate Sociology Majors. A grade of C or better in SOCL 516”. (modify course)
Modify SOCL 502 (3) Social Theory to change course number to 302 and to change teaching method from Independent Study to Lecture. (modify course)
Add SOCL 503A, B (1) (3) Service-Learning in Sociology. (new course)
Add SOCL 505A, B (1) (3) Service-Learning in Criminology. (new course)

RILEY COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Department of Curriculum and Instruction
Add TESL 570 (3) Linguistics for Teachers of English Language Learners. (new course)
Add TESL 580 (3) Principles of Teaching Grammar to At-Risk Students and English Language Learners. (new course)
Add TESL 592 (3:1:2) ESOL Practicum: Working with English Language Learners. (new course)

Department of Health and Physical Education
Modify ATRN 561 (2) Advanced Emergency Care to change course number to ATRN 361. (modify course)

B. General Education

Donna Webster-Nelson presented three items from the General Education committee.

Move ANTH220 (currently approved to meet the Natural Science requirement) from the Life Science to Earth Science category.

The Council approved the change.

Add GEOL225X Fundamentals of Soil Science to the list of courses meeting the Natural Science (Earth) requirement.

The Council approved the course for inclusion.

Add PHIL575 Business Ethics to the list of courses to meet the Humanities and Arts requirement.

The Council approved the course for inclusion.
IV. Vice President of Academic Affairs’ Remarks

Dr. Moore briefly discussed many of the strains facing Winthrop University and the state of South Carolina. He noted that even though we are in this time of stress, we are still conducting the normal business of teaching and learning. Dr. Moore gave credit to the faculty and staff for this good work and noted that the “Folks in Tillman” were very aware. He reported that at the Wednesday Executive Officer meeting no one knew where the state is heading and there was nothing new to report until the state made its decisions. He did ask us all to focus on the work of Winthrop: Teaching, Learning, Scholarship and Service.

V. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

VI. New Business

There was no new business.

VII. Announcements

Registrar Drueke reminded the Council of upcoming deadlines: Grade entry deadlines for Graduate degree candidates (December 17), Undergraduate degree candidates (December 18), and the dates for both Commencement Ceremonies: Graduate on December 18 in the Coliseum, and Undergraduate on December 20 in the Coliseum.

Chad Dresbach announced the last CUI meeting of the semester will be December 12.

Donna Nelson announced the last General Education Committee meeting will be December 4.

The next meeting of the Academic Council will be January 16, 2009.

Having finished the agenda and seeing no other announcements, Chair Costner declared the meeting adjourned at 2:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Timothy A. Drueke
Secretary