Call to Order and Announcements
The meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Mike Denbow, Acting Chair.

Adoption of the Agenda
Motion was made and seconded to adopt the agenda as amended. The motion to approve the agenda passed unanimously.

New Business

Resolution to Approve the Pass/Fail Grade Option for Undergraduates (Revised Policy No. 204)
Mike Denbow, Chair, Committee on Undergraduate Curricula, moved approval for first reading Resolution 2010-11.B, “Resolution to Approve the Pass/Fail Grade Option for Undergraduates (Revised Policy No. 204),” effective Fall 2011. Motion was seconded and approved. Mike explained that the existing Pass/Fail Grade Options currently allowed students to take 10% of their credit hours at Virginia Tech. Under the current policy students and advisors are confused by the sliding scale and the scale limits the number of pass/fail classes eligible to be taken by transfer students as opposed to native students. The State Policy on Transfers requires equitable policies for transfer and native students. It was also noted that this policy is unfair to students enrolled in the Corps due to the required number of leadership classes being offered pass/fail. The proposed changes allow for a defined number of 12 Virginia Tech hours.

Reports from Commission Committees/Sub-Committees

Committee on Undergraduate Curricula
Mike Denbow presented the report of the Committee on Undergraduate Curricula meeting of January 21, 2011. Motion was made and seconded to approve the Committee on Undergraduate Curricula report of January 21, 2011. The motion passed unanimously.

New Courses Effective Fall 2011

College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
AAEC 1264 – Peace Economics

College of Engineering
AOE 4065-4066 – Aircraft Design
AOE 4165-4166 – Spacecraft Design
AOE 4265-4266 – Ship Design
AOE 4264 – Fundamentals of Naval Engineering

New Courses Effective Spring 2012

College of Engineering
CEE 4144 – Air Resources Engineering

Restrictions Effective for Calendar Year 2011

College of Architecture and Urban Studies
Bachelor of Landscape Architecture

Discontinuation of Tracks Effective for Students Graduating in Spring 2012

College of Engineering
Bachelor of Science in Civil and Environmental Engineering – Infrastructure Systems Track
Bachelor of Science in Civil and Environmental Engineering – Structures, Geotechnical and Construction Track
Bachelor of Science in Civil and Environmental Engineering – Environmental and Water Resources Track

University Curriculum Committee on Liberal Education
Rachel Holloway presented the University Curriculum Committee on Liberal Education minutes of April 28, 2010, October 6, 2010, November 3, 2010 and December 1, 2010. It was noted by Rachel that some of the minutes have been held due to lack of a recording secretary and that these minutes are now complete. The motion to approve the University Curriculum Committee on Liberal Education minutes of April 28, 2010, October 6, 2010, November 3, 2010 and December 1, 2010, the motion passed unanimously.
University Athletic Committee
James Penven presented the University Athletic Committee minutes of
October 27, 2010. The motion was made and seconded to accept the
University Athletic Committee minutes of October 27, 2010. The motion
passed unanimously.

Other Business

Dr. John Browder, Associate Dean, College of Architecture, at the request and
recommendation of the faculty of the College of Architecture, moved approval for the
posthumous awarding of the degree of Bachelor of Science in Industrial Design, to Elias
Paul Lehman, effective Spring 2011 with the honor of *Magna Cum Laude*. Motion was
seconded. Mr. Lehman is in good standing and meets all requirements for a posthumous
degree. The motion carried unanimously.

Rachel Holloway provided an update on the recent activities the Committee on Academic
Policies. One topics of this discussion has been trying to identify otherwise high
performing students who may be having academic stress and providing early
intervention, before the student experiences probation, or other academic discipline. Also
under review has been the awarding of a secondary diploma; it was noted that to receive
two degrees as opposed to a dual degree that a student must take an additional thirty
hours, and that it must be taken “in residence”, however there was confusion among the
committee as to what “in residence” means.

There was discussion that a presentation of the Vision for Undergraduate Education
would be helpful to the commission and that Dr. Wubah, Vice President and Dean for
Undergraduate Education would be invited to a future meeting.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:22 pm

Submitted by,
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