In attendance:

Committee members: Ed Foote, Maria Grandinetti, Fanhui Kong, Emma Hao, Sean Kelly, Erin McHenry-Sorber, Diane Wenger, Pei Zhang, Heidi Selecky (Library), Susan Hritzak (Registrar); Anastasia Mauger, John Scolese (Student Reps). Guests: Jennifer Malinowski; Mary Kropiewnicki, Anne Butler, John Orehotsky, Thyagarajan Srinivasan, Greg Harms.

Chairman Foote called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

1) Minutes: The minutes of the March meeting were approved. (Motion by Grandinetti; seconded by Kelly).

2) New Proposals for Review

COLLEGE OF PHARMACY AND NURSING:
Jennifer Malinowski presented a proposal for a Spanish Concentration for Pharmacy Students. She noted that no additional hours are being added to the program. The proposal was approved unanimously (motion by Wenger; seconded by Kong).

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION: Anne Butler and Mary Kropiewnicki presented the following proposals:

Revision to Reading Specialist Program. The proposal includes the addition of two new courses (EDAM 5068 and EDAM 5069) and a change in the title of EDAM 5049. There will be both a degree-only option and a degree plus certification option. The proposal was unanimously approved (motion by Wenger; seconded by Kelly).

Revision to MS in Education with major in International School Leadership (being done to clean up program and require all master level courses). The committee approved the proposal unanimously (motion by McHenry-Sorber; seconded by Zhang).

Revision to MS in Education with major in Educational Leadership. The revision is being made to better meet the needs of the students, most of whom are principals. The committee unanimously approved (motion by Kelly; seconded by Kong).

Elimination of MS in Education Professional Learning Communities. The committee unanimously approved this proposal since this program has never been offered (motion by Hao; seconded by Grandinetti).

Elimination of Program Endorsement Certificates in Technology and School Reform for Teacher Leaders and School Administrators. This program has never been offered either. The committee approved the proposal to eliminate it (motion by Wenger; seconded by Hao).
COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING: Professors Orehotsky and Srinivasan presented the following proposals:

EGR219 Introduction to Weapons Systems. The committee unanimously approved the proposal to make this a permanent offering; it has been a topics course in the past (motion by Wenger; seconded by McHenry-Sorber).

Revision to the BA in Physics. The proposal includes minor changes to five courses (PHY 311, 313, 314, 391 and 391) and the cross listing of two bioengineering courses (BEGR 472 and 474) as physics electives. In addition all students majoring in physics (rather than only education minors) will have to take MTH 212 and possibly CS125. It was noted that the Math Department chair is opposed to this change because they do not have personnel to teach additional sections of these courses. The committee unanimously approved this proposal (motion by Grandinetti; seconded by Kelly).

Revision to Minor in Physics. This proposal would change the minor to require one advanced course (PHY 311, 312, or 314) as an elective. The committee unanimously approved the proposal (motion by Hao; seconded by Kong).

Chemistry Requirement Changes for Engineering Majors (except environmental). This proposal includes two course additions CHM 117 and 118 which would replace CHM 115 and 113 for electrical and mechanical majors. A motion was made by Kelly, seconded by Kong, but the vote was deferred because of several issues. The proposal lacked Susan Hritzak’s signature, and the syllabus for the new courses was not complete (lacked assessment and texts). The revised proposal, with syllabi and program outline for the Bulletin, will be submitted to the committee by e-mail for a vote.

Prerequisite Changes for EE211 and 283. The committee approved this incidental change (motion by Hao, seconded by Wenger).

Prerequisite Changes for EE252 and 222. The committee approved this incidental change (motion by Hao, seconded by Wenger).

Revision to MS Degree in Bioengineering. Professor Harms presented this proposal which includes some “housekeeping changes” and the addition of three new courses: BEGR 477, Cellular Biophysics, BEGR 421, Biofluidics and Microfluidics, and BEGR 474 Imaging and Biomedicine. The committee approved the proposal (motion by Kelly; seconded by McHenry-Sorber).

COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES:

ENG 335 Change in Course Description. This incidental change was approved (motion by McHenry-Sorber; seconded by Hao).

ENG 365 Course Change/ENG 368 Deletion. This proposal is made to remove redundancy in course offerings and was unanimously approved (motion by Hao; seconded by Wenger).

ENG 311 Technology of the Book. The committee approved the addition of this new course (motion by Zhang; seconded by Kong).

ENG 337 Studies in American Romantic Literature. The committee approved the addition of this course which will fill a gap in the present offerings (motion by Grandinetti; seconded by McHenry-Sorber).
ENG 357 Studies in Gothic Literature. The committee approved the addition of the permanent course, which has previously been a topic course (motion by Hao; seconded by Wenger).

Revision to Music Minor. This proposal modifies the music minor so that the Chamber Orchestra (currently MUS 128 G, to be revised to MUS 132 – see other Music proposal) satisfies the performance requirement, rather than MUS 131), a class that has not run since spring 2007. The committee approved this proposal (motion by Kelly; seconded by Kong).

MUS 123 Marching Band. The committee approved the addition of this course (motion by Grandinetti; seconded by Zhang).

Music Course Changes and Additions. This proposal would add four separate courses (MUS 122, 132, 135, and 138) replacing the current schema which is to use one course number MUS 128 and assign different sections for different ensembles. The proposal was approved (motion by Wenger; seconded by Kong).

PHL 334 Philosophy of Law. The committee approved the addition of this course as well as PHL 398 Topics in Philosophy (motion by Zhang; seconded by McHenry Sorber).

PHL 397 Seminar change (Incidental). The committee approved this proposal which changes the course description to require the instructor signature rather than department chair (motion by Wenger; seconded by Hao).

NEW BUSINESS:
The School of Education has submitted the required form asking for a “late review” of Master of Science in Education in Teaching and Learning (International Cohort-based, Low-residency program). The Committee will review this proposal at the next meeting so it can go before the full faculty in May.

Chairman Ed Foote announced his term on the committee is ending; he asked that any members who wish to be nominated for chair let him know.

The meeting adjourned at noon. The next meeting will be April 15, 2014 at 11 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Dr. Diane Wenger