Senate Minutes Information Session May 1, 2006 4:00 -5:00 P.M. Reitz Union Auditorium

Attendees:

Senators:

Mary Ann Burg **Regina Bussing** Patrick Colahan Joanne Foss Donald Graetz **Ellis** Greiner Alice Holmes Saeed Khan Pradeep Kumar Christy Lemak Jacqueline Miller Roger Reep Orit Shechtman Michele Tennant Bryan Weber Danaya Wright Allen Wysocki

Ex-Officio:

Robert Frank Kim Tanzer

Guests:

Nabih Prsal, PHHP YongSung Joo, PHHP Babette Brumback, PHHP Elena Audvesu, PHHP Mary Peoples Sheps, PHHP Brian Dodge, PHhP Stephanie Hanson, PHHP Amal Khoury, Phhp Allison Hall, PHHP R. Ratbll, IFAS Paul Duncan, PHHP Kim Tanzer called the meeting to order at 4 PM

Professor Tanzer introduced the issue to be discussed at this information session which is the proposal from the College of Public Health and Health Professions to create a department of epidemiology and biostatistics.

Professor Tanzer noted that she invited Doug Barret, Dean Tisher, Dean Frank, members of the department of epidemiology in the college of Medicine and members of relevant concentrations in the college of public health and health professions. All parties were invited to the information session and the special senate meeting.

Professor Tanzer noted a few issues that the Senate will need to consider First: was there appropriate and timely communication between and within colleges and the University Curriculum Committee

Second: The seriousness of the issue and taking into account the status of the PHHP accreditation without this department

Third: what promises and expectations were already established and how will parties be negatively impacted.

Professor Tanzer then reviewed several correspondences she received from both units regarding this subject.

Dean Frank spoke about the need for the department for the college to receive accreditation.

Several attendees asked questions.

The meeting adjourned at 4:43 P.M.