COC Minutes October 15, 2009 522 Library West

Attending: Mark Bishop, Chair, Blake Landor, Timothy Johnson, Laura Sutton, Bernard Mair, Danaya Wright.

The meeting was called to order at 3:00 PM

The committee approved the minutes of the September meeting.

The committee discussed the functions of the University Curriculum Committee and the Academic Policy Council with APC chair, Danaya Wright.

Dr. Wright stated that the Senate needs to know that proposals, with academic implications, especially for new departments and new programs, have been vetted by a Senate body, in addition to the curriculum committee.

Dr. Mair stated that the curriculum committee works well and they are looking at their internal procedures to determine how to expedite routine changes. The committee agrees that it is important to look at issues in academic context, but the curriculum committee currently focuses on how changes would affect students. Mair also reported that the curriculum committee is functioning well with the additional students.

The committee discussed the academic assessment committee structure. They clarified that the committee is primarily fact finding and will add to the charge what particular experience will be helpful on the committee.

They will remove "from the discipline area" from the charge.

Laura Sutton will work to reword the committee description language.

The meeting adjourned at 4:55 PM