

CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MINUTES  
SEPT. 30, 2014  
12:30- 1:30

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Present: Jill Cook, Kevin Dupre, Debbie Ferguson, Janet Dorning, Adam Lewis, Tedi Gordon, Chris Otto, Hugh Long, Jim Kerner

Not present: Mary Harris, Tom Pieplow, Wayne McCain, Barbara Burke, Jacob Gatlin

Guests: proposal presented by committee members

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### Committee Business

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It is recommended that we communicate deadlines for curriculum proposals to the colleges and meet perhaps once or twice a month, such as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month or 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesdays of each month.

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### PROPOSAL #1

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1. Hugh Long proposed to add a Bachelor of Arts – English and Drama Major.
2. Needed in order to keep pace with HE drama and theatre programs in Alabama and provide students coming from the community colleges a path to a BA in English with a drama track.

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### Recommendations

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Adam Lewis made a motion to approve. Chris Otto seconded the motion. All members approved the creation of the new major.

The degree might be made stronger by requiring a minor.

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### PROPOSAL #2

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Chris Otto explained a proposal from Sara Cline for Biology majors.

1. Cellular and Developmental Specialization Option
2. Ecology and Organismal Option

Both options are 12 hours of concentration, using the 12 hours of elective credits within the biology major. A minor would still be required, and the major would still comprise 124 hours. Each option includes a specific selection of courses within the Biology program.

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### RECOMMENDATIONS

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Adam Lewis made a motion to approve. Tedi Gordon seconded the motion. All members approved the creation of the new options in Biology.