18 March 2011 Minutes of the College Undergraduate (UG) Curriculum Committee

Members Present: Terry Adler, Justine Adkisson, Greg Roth, Kathy Brook, Bruce Huhmann, and Kevin McNelis

Members Absent: Dennis Clason

Guest: Sherry Mills

Meeting Called to Order at 1300.

First Order of Business:

All faculty who teach in the undergraduate curriculum are invited to attend a critical thinking workshop on
13 April 2011 from 1600-1730 in GU 100. All CoB undergraduate faculty who teach the following courses (i.e., ACCT 252, BCIS 110, BLAW 316, BUSA 111, ECON 252, FIN 341, and MGT 309) are highly encouraged to attend this workshop. We would like as much dialogue on how to improve student learning in teaching critical thinking skills.

Second Order of Business:

Committee members will gather any critical thinking assignments faculty from their departments are already using in their courses prior to 13 April 2001 workshop. The objective of doing this is to allow our committee the opportunity to review these materials to prepare and facilitate a useful discussion in the 13 April workshop. We would like all faculty assignments collected by 7 April 2011 by respective committee members.

Third Order of Business:

The committee proposed using the following objective in syllabi if critical thinking is being taught in a College of Business course: “Students will think critically.” Bruce Huhmann moved and Kevin McNelis seconded a motion to approve this proposal. Faculty who teach critical thinking are asked to include this objective in their Fall 2011 syllabi. The relevant information is as follows:

   Motion passed 4 yes and 0 no.

Meeting Adjourned at 1400. Next meeting is scheduled for 8 April 2011 at 1 pm in BC 134.

Submitted by: Terry Adler, Chair