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**MINUTES 2001-2002 CURRICULUM COMMITTEE MEETING # 1**

September 6, 2001, 8:00 a.m. Behmler Conference Room

Present Schwaller, Nellis, Demos, Mooney, De Jager Carlson, Kissock, Lee, Korth, Strand, Johnson,  
Hollermann, Urness, and Evans,  
Absent DeVries (for Neuharth), Gooch, and Thielke

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:** Schwaller asked for a motion to approve the minutes from April 30, 2001

**MOTION:** To approve minutes from April 30, 2001.

**VOTE:** Unanimous in favor (10-0-0)

**DISCUSSION OF SCHEDULE:** Curriculum Committee will continue to meet on alternate Thursdays at 8:00 a.m. in the Behmler Conference Room.

**APPROVAL OF MUSIC COURSES: Music 1221 Guitar and Music 1222 Electric Bass.**

Carlson explained that UMM was fortunate to have two people in our geographical area who are able to teach these courses.

**MOTION:** To approve Music 1221 Guitar and Music 1222 Electric Bass.

Discussion: A member questioned the GER designator and the qualifications of the instructors. Carlson responded that these two courses fall under the Music 1200-1220 rubric, which has a GER designator of ArtP. Another member noted that the qualifications of instructors are not curricular issues and instructors that are hired are ranked based on their educational degree and skills.

**VOTE:** Approved unanimously (10-0-0)

**DUAL DEGREE PROGRAM:** Information provided by Korth; this is a program with UMM and the Institute of Technology at U of M. Students can come to UMM for 3 years and work toward a dual degree from UMM and U of M in engineering. At the end of 5+ years the students will receive a BA from UMM in their chosen major and a BS in Engineering from the Institute of Technology at U of M. The students would meet UMM's graduation requirements. A member questioned if the students would return to UMM to complete their degree. Korth stated that they might need to transfer a few courses back. Korth noted that pre-engineering students usually come here two years and then transfer; with this program UMM would be able to retain the students longer. Among other issues raised was the importance of these students receiving a degree from UMM and U of M. Another issue was the Morris residency requirement for seniors who are graduating. This issue and some others are still being worked on. A member asked if information about the dual degree program would be included in the new catalog. Korth noted that admissions is interested in and will use this information. Another member noted that Pre-Engineering is already listed in the catalog and can be expanded. A member also questioned the second paragraph of the information; does it mean that UMM students can have a lower GPA, Korth said yes that is his understanding. Members agreed that this is a terrific opportunity and one member expressed hope that this would also lead to a similar opportunity for Economics/Management students with the Carlson School.

**NCATE & BOT:** Kissock explained that NCATE and BOT will be here October 7 - October 10, 2001. A member from each team will want to meet with Curriculum Committee on Monday, October 8 or Tuesday, October 9. The meeting is

targeted for Monday afternoon, and Kissock encourages everyone to attend this meeting.

Meeting adjourned 8:25 a.m.

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