Curriculum Committee Meeting Online Vote Minutes Friday, March 1, 2024

All members emailed:

Steve McKim (Chair)

Laura Lamb-Atchley

Cody Bogard

Melissa Brewer

Mellena Nichols

Sondra Petty

Rob Shauger

Rachel Tudor

Brian Hecker (Ex-officio, Non-voting)

Carlie Cordell (Student, Upper Division)

Mikayla Kirkland (Student, Upper Division)

Jake Popowski (Student, Upper Division)

Time of meeting:

Emails sent with polls to all Curriculum Committee Members on Friday, March 1, 2024 at 8:02 am. Voting closed on Wednesday, March 6, 2024 at 3:00 pm and results were emailed to Jennifer Swearengin at 3:22 pm on Monday, March 11, 2024.

Items Needing Approval and Results:

(1) A prerequisite change for BIOL 2114 (Introductory Microbiology) is requested to be approved, specifically the Department of Biological Sciences wants to remove the chemistry prerequisite for BIOL 2114. The rationale is that the amount of chemistry taught in BIOL 1404 (Principles of Biology I) is already sufficient and makes the taking of any chemistry prerequisite unnecessary. Further, this move is being proposed by Biology to align with the course equivalency matrix. The language in the matrix recently changed stating that now the prerequisite for microbiology is either chemistry or introductory biology for majors, no longer both. (Received seven votes to approve and one abstention. Three members did not vote).