In attendance:
Ruth Buskirk (BIO/UTeach)
Wayne Gardner (MNS)
Nancy Hazen-Swann (HE)
Sacha Kopp (chair)
Phil Morrison (PHY)
Bruce Porter (CS)
Stan Roux (BIO)
Lorenzo Sadun (Math)
Greg Shields (AST)
(John Stanton (CH) by Proxy)

Guests: Tiffany Grady (CS), Kay Jay (TXA), Beth Smith (TXA), Angela Patterson (HE), Mike Starbird (M)

Dean's Office: Cathy Stacy, Judith Quinney, Kim Williams

Absent: Nigel Atkinson (NEU), Norma Fowler (IntBIO) – sabbatical

I. *CNS Enrollment Statistics*
Due to limited time this agenda item was tabled.

II. Course Inventory – The following requests to change the course inventory were approved by the committee.

C S 331 and 331H  Add
M 339D  Add
M 339W  Subject-matter, prerequisite
TXA 301, 313, 214K,  Add
214L, 331, 350, 151,  
353, 354C, 354D, 354E,  
354F, 377

The following requests to change the course inventory were postponed for a future meeting.

SSC 321  Prerequisite
SSC 323 and 353  Add
M 175S (UTeach)  Add

**Kim will work with the departments to ensure all changes to the course inventory are submitted via the Registrar’s online system by the November 1 deadline.**

III. Proposed legislative change to the Bachelor of Arts with major in Computer Science, Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, and Admission to the Major – Computer Science the addition of new theory sequence; deletion of old courses; changes to math requirements; removal of BIO 325; and separation of the admission process for the BA and BS majors.
• **Approved.**

  Proposed legislative change to the Bachelor of Science in Mathematics: Option I: Actuarial Science the addition of new course options.

• **Approved**

  Proposed legislative change to the Bachelor of Science in Textiles and Apparel the overhaul of the entire degree program.

• **Approved**


• **Postponed for a future meeting due to time.**

IV. Update the 10-12 BS Mathematics Teaching Option: Mathematics, Physical Science, and Engineering Certification

• **Postponed for a future meeting due to time.**

  Biological Sciences Memo – Independent Study Hours

  The School of Biological Sciences would like to codify long-standing practices related to the management of independent study hours and their application toward a degree.

  I. Independent Study:  BIO X77 and X70C

  Students in Biological Sciences may take up to six hours of BIO X77 and BIO X70C on a letter grade basis. In addition, students may count up to six hours of BIO X77 and BIO X70C toward a degree in Biological Sciences. By petition, students may count up to three hours of BIO X77 toward their major requirements.

  II. Honors Thesis:  BIO X79H

  Students in Biological Sciences may take up to six hours of BIO X79H on a letter grade basis. In addition, students may count up to six hours of BIO X79H toward a degree in Biological Sciences. Students may not count BIO X79H toward major requirements.

  III. Special Amendments for FRI

  As specified in an earlier memo, students may count BIO 377-FRI as an upper-division lab in the major.

  Students who complete BIO 170C as part of the FRI program will not have this course count toward the maximum six hours of independent study (BIO X77/X70C).

  Rationale:
The content of independent study courses varies widely, and faculty advisors must have the ability to examine research and conference course content to determine whether the courses are suitable for counting toward the major. The School of Biological Sciences will include the content of this memo in the legislation proposal for the 2014-16 catalog.

Degrees and Catalogs to be Changed:

BA, major in Biology; BS in Biology, all options

- **Approved**

V. Core Proposals - none

VI. Presentations - Mike Starbird spoke briefly regarding the Math/Statistics Initiative. The Department of Mathematics will meet with the other departments within the College to discuss implementation of the initiative to develop major specific calculus and statistics courses.

VII. Future Meetings:

TBA

- **Kim will send an email to the committee to poll which meeting time is preferred.**