Westfield State University
Curriculum Committee Minutes for February 3, 2011

In attendance: David Laing, John Ohotnicky, Marsha Marotta, Enrique Morales-Diaz, Mary Allen Watson, Volker Ecke, Joseph Camilleri, Liam Harte, Stanley Jackson, Supriya Sarnikar, Elizabeth Starr, Eric Bressler, Dominick Farbo, Carlton Pickron

∞ Meeting was convened at 3:45 by David Laing.

∞ Enrique Morales-Diaz was elected to serve as Chair (vote: 13 yes, 1 no, 1 abstention).

∞ Jennifer DiGrazia was elected to serve as secretary by a unanimous vote.

∞ Chair Morales-Diaz announced that because the Curriculum Committee has a February 16 deadline response to ROCCC, the first item on the table was ROCCC. We recalled that the call to vote on Subcommittee A’s recommendations had been tabled.

∞ After some discussion about what Curriculum was being tasked to do with ROCCC and deciding that we were unable to reach a consensus about whether to endorse ROCCC entirely or reject ROCCC entirely, we discussed presenting ACC with a response that reflected the lack of consensus, focusing on what we might philosophically support and reject, and our reservations and concerns about implementation.

∞ We also discussed the importance of recognizing that we were elected to represent constituents and that we needed to discuss ROCCC with that understanding and respect for our communities and departments. We determined that we would meet the following week on Thursday, February 10 to draft a response to ROCCC that would be submitted to ACC that reflected the range of responses (from a range of departments, individuals and committees at WSU) that had already been submitted to Curriculum Committee and the concerns and interests of Curriculum Committee members.

∞ Members of the Curriculum Committee were tasked with reviewing those responses and the ROCCC document prior to that meeting.

∞ The meeting was adjourned at 4:35.

Meeting minutes submitted by Jennifer DiGrazia