Chair Robert Dietle called the meeting to order at 3:30 P.M. The following members were present: Kathryn Abbott, Lawrence Alice, Darlene Applegate, Ray Blankenship, John Bruni, Barbara Burch, Sherry Reid, John Crenshaw, Robert Dietle, Jennifer Hall, Kacy Harris, Michelle Jackson, Jonathan Jeffrey, Frank Kersting, Sean Kinder, Wilma King-Jones, John Hardin, Kathleen Matthew, Patti Minter, Russell Moore, Sharon Mutter, Ronald Oliver, Jane Olmsted, Rich Patterson, Kay Payne, Yvonne Petkus, Katrina Phelps, Matthew Pruitt, Sherrie Serros, Kathleen Sheldon, Nelda Sims, Bryon Sleugh, Dale Smith, John White, Steven White, Stacy Wilson, Ed Wolfe, Edward Yager, Susan Yorde, Uta Ziegler. Alternates in Attendance Were: Preston Gramling for Claus Ernst, Cynthia Mason for Bill Greenwald, Michael Carni for Richard Hackney, Mary Prante for Michael May, Beverly Holland for Carrie Morgan, Malia Formes for Fred Murphy, Douglas Smith for Cassandra Pinnick. The following members were absent without alternate representation: Karen Adams, Michael Binder, Erica Brady, Catherine Carey, David Coffey, Kenneth Crawford, William Davis, Elmer Gray, Jeffrey Hackett, Robert Holman, Martin Houston, Roy Howsen, Daniel Jackson, Robert Jefferson, Alton Little, Mary Ellen Miller, Patricia Minors, John Moore, Gary Ransdell, Loren Ruff, Larry Snyder, Carol Wilson.

Chair Dietle asked if there were any additions or corrections to the minutes. The minutes were approved as editorially corrected. The Chair read the report from Provost Barbara Burch in which she endorsed without exception the actions of the Senate at its December 13, 2001 meeting.

New Business

Reports from the Standing Committees:

University Curriculum Committee

Darlene Applegate moved approval of the University Curriculum Committee’s consent proposal from its December 14, 2001

Dr. Dietle asked if any Senator would like to remove any of the following items from the Consent Agenda and place them on the Action Agenda. No items were removed.
The motion was seconded. The motion carried.

**General Education Committee**

Dr. John Bruni said the General Education Committee has received two research reports evaluating different aspects of the UC101 course and its continuation. Those reports will be placed on Dr. Bruni’s web page and urged that each Senator read these reports before the February meeting when this course will be discussed, and a recommendation will be brought forward. Next, Dr. Bruni said all Department Heads have received a memo regarding a review of the General Education courses, and paperwork will be sent out next week for the Department Heads to review and evaluate.

Dr. Bruni moved approval of a new course:

**RELS 103 Religions of Asia** to be placed in General Education Category E

Darlene Applegate noted that this course has not been approved by the Curriculum Committee.

Dr. Dietle said the approval of this course will be contingent upon approval of the Curriculum Committee, and called for a vote.

The motion was seconded. The motion carried.

**Faculty Welfare and Professional Responsibilities Committee**

Katrina Phelps reported in the absence of Dr. Ernst.

Dr. Phelps said the Committee was working on two surveys, one that will be given to Department Heads to track position openings, new hires, and people leaving the University. The other survey is a faculty survey to gather data on what faculty view as priorities in their workplace satisfaction with categories including advising, teaching, creative and research activities. Also there will be a section on benefits to ask about healthcare, salary, raises, etc., and a section regarding the evaluation process, including tenure and promotion standards and decision-making at departmental, college, and university levels. Both surveys will be disseminated in February.

Dr. Dietle reminded the Senate that at the next meeting of the University Senate, the General Education Committee will bring forward a recommendation regarding the continuation of UC101. He urged each Senator to read the two research reports before the February meeting.

The meeting adjourned at **3:45 P.M.**

Respectfully submitted,

Katrina Phelps, Secretary

Lou Stahl, Recorder