

COLLEGE OF NATURAL SCIENCES

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Dean P. Neikirk, Ph.D.  
Secretary of the General Faculty  
ENS 635 (C0803)

Dear Professor Neikirk,

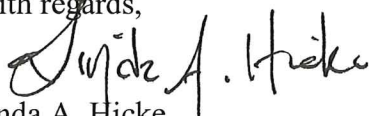
I write in response to your memo of October 9, 2013, regarding the Faculty Council's minimum standards for college and school governance procedures with respect to the development of educational policy. The procedures posted on the Faculty Council web site for the College of Natural Sciences are still correct and are the same as enacted in 2010, with one change regarding membership of the College Course and Curriculum Committee.

In September 2013, the School of Biological Sciences within the College of Natural Sciences was reorganized. Additionally, the Department of Biochemistry and Chemistry was divided, and the Biochemistry Division moved into the new Department of Molecular Biosciences. Finally, a new Department of Statistics and Data Sciences is proposed within the college. As a result, the members of the Course and Curriculum Committee are now chosen to represent the following units:

Astronomy  
Molecular Biosciences  
Integrative Biology  
School of Human Ecology  
Neuroscience  
Marine Science  
Chemistry  
Physics  
Computer Science  
Mathematics  
Statistics and Data Sciences  
Biology Instruction Office  
UTeach Program  
Committee Chair (*ex officio*) – Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education

We sent a memo to all faculty on October 26, 2013, letting them know of the revised make-up of the committee reflecting the new departments in the college. Each of the new departments have formed the appropriate curriculum committee and identified their representative to the college-level committee.

With regards,

  
Linda A. Hicke  
Dean