The meeting was called to order at 1:30 P.M., in Solms 209. The names of the members present are shown in bold; guests/substitutes are in italic:

Stephen Primatic, Art, Music, & Theatre;  
Judy Awong-Taylor, Biology;  
Leon Jaynes, Chemistry & Physics;  
Corie Hammers, Criminal Justice, Social, & Political Science;  
Richard McGrath, Economics;  
Dick Nordquist, General Studies;  
Jim Todesca, History;  
Ellen Blossman, Languages, Literature, & Philosophy;  
Greg Knofczynski Mathematics;  
James Handley, Military Science;  
Jonathan Roberts, Psychology;

The minutes of October 21, 2005 were approved.

I. College of Arts and Sciences
   B. The following was remanded back to the college for further discussion:  
      Final discussion and vote on the proposal to have AASU become an  
      eCore affiliate institution.

A. Liberal Studies
   A motion was made, seconded, and approved to accept the following:  
   1. Change the name of the following program of study:  
      Program for the Degree of Bachelor of General Liberal Studies

   Rationale: Three degree programs are currently housed in the Office  
   of Liberal Studies: the Associate of Arts, the Bachelor of General Studies,  
   and the Master of Liberal and Professional Studies. Following are the  
   primary reasons for recommending changing the name of the Bachelor of  
   General Studies to the Bachelor of Liberal Studies:

   1. To clarify the distinction between the University System of  
      Georgia’s phrase “general education” [referring broadly to the  
      academic experience common to all undergraduate majors] and the  
      particular program of study at AASU known since 1987 as General  
      Studies. According to the 2005-2006 AASU Catalog, “[g]eneral  
      education outcomes define the intellectual experience that Armstrong  
      Atlantic State University students complete prior to graduation, regardless  
      of their specific degrees or career choices” (p. 61, italics mine). In  
      contrast to the phrase “General Studies,” “Liberal Studies” points more  
      directly to a specific program of study based on the tradition of the liberal
arts. (According to the Association for General and Liberal Studies, this distinction between “general education” experiences and “liberal studies” [or “interdisciplinary studies” or “integrative studies”] programs has become increasingly common throughout the United States.)

2. To satisfy the requests of General Studies majors, who, by a margin of approximately two to one, favor the label of “Liberal Studies.” In addition to considering “Liberal Studies” to be a more accurate description of the program, some students noted that prospective employers make a faulty association between “General Studies” and “General Education Development” (the GED). In other words, some unfortunate misperceptions have recently grown attached to the word “general” when used in the context of a degree program.

As a point of information, six other USG institutions house one or more four-year undergraduate degree programs roughly equivalent to AASU’s General Studies program in terms of mission and broad-based requirements:

Clayton State University: Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Integrative Studies
Bachelor of Science with a Major in Integrative Studies

Fort Valley State University: Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Liberal Studies

Georgia College & State U: Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Liberal Studies

Georgia Southern University: Bachelor of General Studies

University of Georgia: Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Honors
Interdisciplinary Studies
Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Interdisciplinary Studies
Bachelor of Arts in Journalism with a Major in Honors Interdisciplinary Studies
Bachelor of Science with a Major in Honors Interdisciplinary Studies
Bachelor of Science with a Major in Interdisciplinary Studies
Bachelor of Science in Agriculture with a Major in Honors Interdisciplinary Studies

Valdosta State University: Bachelor of General Studies
The following was remanded back to the department:
Create the following course:
ECON 3960  Research in International Economics V-V-(1-3)
Prerequisite: permission of department head, agreement by faculty member to supervise research.
Description: Uncompensated research to be assigned and directed by an economics faculty member according to the terms of a signed agreement among the student, supervising faculty member, and department head. This research must be on a topic developed from international study. Up to three credit hours may be earned.

Rationale: The proposed international economics track in the economics major requires delineation between independent research related to study abroad and independent research originating by other means. There is no specific resource impact of this course. It only provides a clarification of the sources of independent study.

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CURCAT:
Major Department: Economics
Can course be repeated for additional credit? no
Maximum Number of Credit Hours: 3
Cross-listed courses: none
Grading Mode: normal
Instruction Type: Directed Study

The following was remanded back to the department:
Create the following course:
ECON 5450U/G Comparative Economics 3-0-3
Prerequisite (undergraduate): ECON 2105 or ECON 2106 or permission of instructor
Prerequisite (graduate): permission of instructor
Description: Study of alternative economics systems as they relate to property rights and incentives, centralization, resource allocation, distribution of income, economic development, and economic transition. Course structure may include comparisons of several economies or an in-depth study
of a specific country being compared to the US. International travel is required.

Rationale: This course is being reintroduced for use in study abroad programs for which the department currently creates special topics courses. As such, it will have no scheduling impact. Students taking the courses for graduate credit would be required to complete an additional paper or project beyond the coursework required of the undergraduate students.

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CURCAT:
Major Department: Economics
Can course be repeated for additional credit? yes
Maximum Number of Credit Hours: 6
Cross-listed courses: none
Grading Mode: normal
Instruction Type: Directed Study

3. The following was remanded back to the department:
   Change the following course numbers:
   ECON 4010 5010U/G Special Topics in Economics 3-0-3
   ECON 4020 5020U/G Special Topics in Economics 3-0-3
   ECON 4030 5030U/G Special Topics in Economics 3-0-3
   Prerequisite (graduate): permission of instructor

Rationale: Special topics courses offered by the Economics Faculty may be academically appropriate for graduate students in a variety of disciplines, particularly in MALPS and education. Students taking the courses for graduate credit would be required to complete an additional paper or project beyond the coursework required of the undergraduate students.

4. The following was remanded back to the department:
   Modify the Program of Study for the Degree of Bachelor of Arts in Economics:

   PROGRAM FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ECONOMICS
   A. General Requirements
   Core Areas A, B, C, D, and E .............................................................. 42 hours
   Area F .................................................................................................. 18 hours
   ECON 2105 - Principles of Macroeconomics
   ECON 2106 - Principles of Microeconomics
   MATH 2220 - Elementary Statistics
   MATH 1950 - Applied Math or MATH 1161 - Calculus I
   Six credit hours from one of the following areas:
   Accounting
   ACCT 2101 - Principles of Financial Accounting
ACCT 2102 - Principles of Managerial Accounting

Foreign language sequence (1002 and 2001) *required for International Economics track

Mathematics
- MATH 2072 - Calculus II
- MATH 2083 - Calculus III

Information Technology
- CSCI 1150 – Fundamentals of the Internet and World Wide Web
- ITEC 1310 – Programming in Visual Basic

Physical Education .................................................................3 hours

Track One: General Economics

B. Major Field Courses ...............................................................33 hours
- ECON 3050 - Intermediate Macroeconomics
- ECON 3060 - Intermediate Microeconomics
- ECON 4900 - Economic Methods and Senior Thesis

Twenty four credit hours drawn from at least three of the following categories:

International
- ECON 3100 - Multinational Economic Enterprises
- ECON 4400 - Seminar in Third World Economic Development
- ECON 5200U - International Trade
- ECON 5310U - International Finance

Quantitative
- ECON 3600 - Mathematical Economics
- ECON 3700 - Econometrics
- ECON 3800 - Quantitative Consumer Research

Applied
- ECON 3420 - Sports Economics
- ECON 3500 - Managerial Economics
- ECON 4451 - Industrial Organization
- ECON 4460 - Economic Analysis of the Law
- ECON 5400U - Economics of Labor

Financial
- ECON 4100 - Financial Economics: Portfolio Evaluation
- ECON 4150 - Money and Capital Markets
- ECON 5300U - Money and Banking

Public Policy and Economic History
- ECON 3450 - Environmental Economics
- ECON 4410 - Regional Economics
- ECON 4500 - Public Finance
- ECON 4550 - Public Choice
- ECON 5630U - Economic History of the US

Internships and Specialized Courses
- ECON 3950 - Research in Economics
- ECON 4010, -20, -30 - Special Topics (with permission of department head)
- ECON 4520, -30, -40 - Internship (with permission of department head)(maximum of one internship may count toward degree)

Track Two: International Economics

B. Major Field Courses ...............................................................33 hours
- ECON 3050 - Intermediate Macroeconomics
- ECON 3060 - Intermediate Microeconomics
- ECON 4900 - Economics Methods and Senior Thesis
- ECON 5200U - International Trade
- ECON 5310U - International Finance

Eighteen credit hours drawn from among the following courses. A minimum of nine credit hours must be earned through international study. Additional courses or internships available through international study may be substituted with the permission of the department head. (*) denotes courses that are offered as international study.
- ECON 3100 - Multinational Economic Enterprises
- ECON 3450 - Environmental Economics
- ECON 3500 - Managerial Economics
- ECON 3700 - Econometrics
ECON 3800 – Quantitative Consumer Research
ECON 3960 – Research in International Economics*
ECON 4100 - Financial Economics: Portfolio Analysis
ECON 4150 - Money and Capital Markets
ECON 4400 - Seminar in Third World Economic Development
ECON 4451 - Industrial Organization
ECON 5300U - Money and Banking
ECON 5400U - Economics of Labor
ECON 5450U – Comparative Economics*

C. Related Field Courses ................................................................. 9 hours
   CSCI 1050, ITEC 1050 Introduction to Computer Concepts - or
   CSCI 1060 - Computer Concepts and Applications

Six credit hours of upper division courses from the following fields:
   anthropology, economics, geography, information technology,
   mathematics, philosophy, political science, psychology, or
   sociology

D. Electives ......................................................................................... 18 hours

Total Semester Hours ................................................................. 123 hours
E. Regents’ Test, university exit exam, and department exit exam

**Rationale:** Consistency with School of Computing change in course
designations.

5. **The following was remanded back to the department:**
   **Modify the Economics minor**

**Economics .......................................................................................... 15 hours**
   ECON 2105 or 2106
   Twelve credit hours selected from: ECON 3050, 3060, 3100, 3420, 3450, 3500,
   3600, 3630, 3700, 3800, 4100, 4150, 4400, 4410, 4451, 4460, 4500, 4550, 4010-4030,
   and 5010-5030U, 5200U, 5300U, 5310U, 5400U, and 5630U.

**Rationale:** Consistency with the above changes for the minor.
   ECON 5630U not included in current catalog.

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G. History
H. Languages, Literature, & Philosophy
I. Mathematics
J. Psychology
K. Honors Program
L. Gender and Women's Studies