Minutes
Meeting of the Biology Major Executive Committee
January 25, 2013

Present were David Julian, Bill Spencer, Elaine Turner, Gary Peter, Saba Balasubramani, Ed Braun, Mike Miyomoto, and Cindy Link

1. Michel Farhat, Student Social Media Committee representative, gave a short presentation on the Biology Major Facebook page. It was suggested that there be meetings for the Biology Major students where representatives from the several pre-professional clubs could speak.

2. The Minutes from the November 27 BMEC meeting were approved. The Minutes will be uploaded to the internet today.

3. The summer duties for the incoming Director were discussed. The list of duties was revised and is attached.

4. The changes to the BIO-PRO and BLY-PRO electives were discussed. The changes were passed, and the memo with the changes will be sent to Bernard Mair.

5. It appears that at this time the Committee seems to think the UF Biology BA will be good, offering a more-rounded degree than other universities that were used as a comparison (UC-Berkeley, U Virginia, UNC-CH, etc.).

6. The Academic Advising Center has requested that a policy be generated for repeat of failed major courses. After some discussion and revision, the policy was passed. A revised copy is attached.

7. The research mentor’s honors evaluation form was tabled until the next meeting. Revisions will be made to the form and will be discussed at the next BMEC meeting. A revised copy is attached.

8. A short discussion was presented about Bill going to the AAC and McCarty during peak times, which includes drop/add, advanced registration, to assist with the workload. Everyone was in agreement that this is a good idea.