Minutes
Biology Major Executive Committee
July 17, 2015

Present were Alice Harmon; Mike Miyamoto; Christine Davis; Patrick Inglett; John Blake, Ata Sarajedini; Bobbi Knickerbocker; Mike McKenzie, College of Pharmacy Associate Dean; Bala “Saba” Rathinasabapathi, Bill Spencer, and Cindy Link

Review and Approval of Minutes
1. The minutes from the April 17 BMEC meeting were approved.

DECISION ITEMS
1. PCB4553, Population Genetics, was approved as an ALS elective for BIOPRO and BLYPRO.
2. The use of block courses as ALS electives for BIOPRO and BLYPRO tracks was approved. However, the UCC suggested a name change to “Molecular Biology Lab Immersion” and the addition of a grade scale to the syllabus.
3. The PharmD proposal was tabled so that the committee members could have time to review the new syllabuses. It was proposed that the syllabuses would be sent out along with an email vote. Both the new syllabuses and previous syllabuses will be sent to the committee members.
4. The proposal for a new category for the BIO BA core courses was tabled so that the committee could discuss further issues about 2000-level courses and where to place the new category in the curriculum.

Discussion/Informational Items
1. There were two items passed around at today’s meeting, a list of ALS courses with no-pre-req issues for BIOPRO transfer students and a booklet of Spring and Fall semester duties.
2. The annual report will be continued.
3. Since there was nothing requested concerning the FDOE Office of Articulation request, there is nothing pressing with this issue at this time. This may be addressed in a future meeting.