Discussion Items

1. There was much discussion about the possibility of adding a Bioinformatics track to the CALS/CLAS Biology Major. It was decided that there is an interest in adding this track; therefore, a proposal will be submitted outlining courses, etc. This proposal will be submitted by the existing Bioinformatics Committee.

2. The assessment data was presented, which showed a decline in assessment scores over the last academic year. Beginning with the Fall 2015 semester, the percentage of the test points was increased as a possible way to bring up the assessment scores. It was also suggested that the number of transfer students be looked at, and to separate out the students by track, i.e., it was confirmed by Bobbi that pre-med students are not taking ecology courses.

3. The committee was asked to consider six CALS courses as additional life sciences electives for BIOPRO and BLYPRO. The committee voted as follows:
   - FOS4311 and FOS4311L – No, these two courses were mostly centered on Chemistry
   - HUN 3403 – No, diet focused; not enough biology
   - HUN4221, HUN4445, HUN4446 – Yes
   - ZOO4956 – It was decided that because ZOO4956 is a general course number that is used for many purposes, the UGC be given the discretion to approve specific offerings of ZOO4956.

Informational Items

1. The banner/brochures report was presented. It was suggested that the photo of the bear cub be replaced due to the recent bear hunt in Florida. The banner/brochure subcommittee will meet again next week to finalize the photos and finalize the text of the brochure.