Minutes
Meeting of the Biology Major Executive Committee
November 27, 2012

Present were David Julian, Bill Spencer, Ata Sarajedini, Gary Peter, Ed Braun, Max Teplitski, Saba Balasubramani, and Cindy Link

1. Items from the BMEC meeting on October 23, 2012
   a. The Minutes from the October 23 BMEC meeting were approved.
   b. The Bylaws, Mission Statement, and elective approval MOU were approved by email vote. The Mission Statement is now on the Biology Major website, and the Bylaws and MOU are posted to the website as links to PDFs.

2. Gary Peter’s nomination as the next BMEC Chair was approved by unanimous vote by the voting members present.

3. Creation of a BA in Biology was discussed. This BA target group will be secondary education teachers and will eventually replace the BIO-BSE track; however, that will probably not come to fruition until 2014-15, leaving a lot of time for discussion.

4. There was discussion about the (dis)similarities between the CALS and CLAS Honors requirements. It was decided that at this time these dissimilarities are okay. It was decided to post the Honors comparisons on the Biology Major website.

5. There was some discussion about establishing a Biology Major Advisory Board. There were mixed feelings, and this will be a topic for future BMEC discussion.

6. A new Doodle will be sent to establish the BMEC meetings for the Spring semester.