A regular meeting of the Senate Committee on Educational Policy was called to order at 1:10 p.m., on Monday, October 4, in 232 English Building with Chair Abbas Aminmansour presiding.

I. Announcements. Chair Aminmansour noted the length of the day's agenda, including discussion of the Institute of Aviation.

II. Approval the Minutes. The August 30 minutes were approved as written.

III. Remarks of the Chair. None.

IV. Updates from the Provost's Office and Graduate College. Ms. Kuntz reported on the creation of links for future recommendations for committee consideration. She also said that EP.10.48, Proposal from the College of ACES to establish a minor in Leadership Studies, may come back for EPC review.

V. Old Business.

Degree Completion Task Group. There was no discussion.

Subcommittee B—Phillip Geil

* EP.11.02, Proposal from the College of LAS to Establish New Minors: Integrative Biology; Conservation Biology. The proposal was approved as amended.

Subcommittee C—Bettina Francis

EP.10.22, Proposal from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences to Establish an Interdisciplinary Minor in Museum Studies. The proposal was removed from EPC consideration, per Ms. Kuntz and Ms. Mester.

VI. New Business.

Subcommittee A—Michael Krassa

* EP.11.03, Proposal from the College of ACES to rename the undergraduate minor in Quantitative Methods in Natural Resources and Environmental Sciences (NRES) as the Spatial and Quantitative Methods in NRES. Professor Krassa moved approval as amended. The motion was approved by voice vote.

* EP.11.07, Proposal from the College of ACES to establish a Minor in Natural Resource Conservation. Professor Krassa moved approval as amended. The motion was approved by voice vote.

* EP.11.08, Proposal from the College of LAS to eliminate the B.S. in Biophysics. The proposal was approved.
Subcommittee B—Phillip Geil

* EP.11.04, Proposal from the Graduate College to revise the policy regarding how repeated courses are factoring into graduate GPA's. The proposal was approved by a show of hands: 8 in favor; 4 opposed.

* EP.11.05, Proposal from the Graduate College to clarify the policy regarding how graduate GPA's are calculated. The proposal was approved as amended.

Subcommittee C—Bettina Francis

EP.11.06, Proposal from the College of Engineering to establish the Customized Concentration in the B.S. in Materials Science and Engineering. The proposal will be considered further.

EP.11.09, Proposal from the College of ACES to establish the Agricultural Leadership and Science Education (ALSE) Program. A number of concerns were expressed regarding the combining of the two majors and faculty appointments. Professor Francis will work with the sponsors to clarify.

EP.11.10, Proposal from the College of ACES to establish the B.S. in Agricultural Leadership and Science Education. The concerns expressed regarding EP.11.09 were reiterated relative to this proposal.

* Approved for November 8 consent agenda.

VII. Other Business.

Institute of Aviation. As a result of the Stewarding Excellence @ UI project team review, it has been recommended that the Institute be dissolved and faculty be re-distributed. Interim Director Tom Emanuel spoke against this action. Professor Michael reiterated the impropriety of dismantling the unit; Chair Aminmansour will inquire about who handles alleged violations.

VIII. Adjournment. The meeting adjourned at 3:00 p.m.