THE FACULTY SENATE

June 19, 1998

Dr. Ray M. Bowen
President
Texas A&M University

Dear President Bowen:

At its regular meeting held June 8, 1998 the Faculty Senate considered and approved the following proposal from the University Curriculum Committee:

Changes in Curriculum: College of Science
Department of Biology
B.S. in Botany

Enclosed is the information considered by the Senate. Please inform me of your decision on this recommendation.

Sincerely yours,

Diane S. Kaplan
Speaker, 1998-99

Enclosure

pc: Dr. Ronald G. Douglas, Executive Vice President & Provost
Dr. Timothy Scott, Associate Director for Undergraduate Programs, Department of Biology
Dr. R. Bruce Simpson, Chair, Curriculum Committee
Ms. Linda F. Lacey, Director of Academic Support Services

APPROVED

DATE

7/3/98
The University Curriculum Committee recommends approval of the following:

Changes in Curriculum

College of Science
   Department of Biology
   B.S. in Botany
April 1, 1998

TO: Linda Lacey
   Director of Academic Support Services

THROUGH: University Curriculum Committee
   Dr. Bruce Simpson, Chair

THROUGH: Dr. Ken Poenisch
   Associate Dean for College of Science

FROM: Dr. Timothy Scott
   Associate Director, Undergraduate Prgms.

SUBJECT: Change in B.S. Botany Degree Plan, Catalog 122

The College of Science proposes several minor changes to the B.S. Botany degree plan for 1999-00. These changes include:

1) Having 4 Botany Directed Electives instead of 3 (made possible by no longer requiring BOTN 304).

2) Changing the Zoology Directed Elective to a Biology Directed Elective.

3) Additional Directed Elective courses from outside departments include:
   AGRO 304
   ENTO 301, 302, 305, 306, & 424
   GENE 404
   PLPA 302
   RLEM 315
   WFSC 403

4) Disallowing WFSC 302 as a Directed Elective in the Botany Degree (corresponds too closely with our own ZOOL 318).

Letters from each department affected by these changes are also attached. If you have any questions or require more information, please call Dr. Timothy Scott at 845-7771.
March 5, 1998

TO:        Dr. Murray Milford  
            Assoc. Head, Dept. of AGRO

THROUGH:   Dr. Craig Nessler  
            Assoc. Head, BIOL

FROM:      Dr. Timothy Scott  
            Associate Director, Undergraduate Prms.

SUBJECT:   Changes in Biology Curricula Affecting AGRO Department

The Department of Biology revised the curricula in the 6 degree plans that it administers. The change affecting the Department of Agronomy is as follows:

1) We are requesting permission to use AGRO 304 as a directed elective for students in our B.S. Botany degree plan.

A copy of the most recent count of majors to project possible impact on AGRO 304 is included.

Please sign this memorandum noting the change in curricula in the space provided and return to me by March 20, 1998. If you have questions or concerns, please contact me at 845-7771. Thank you very much.

Acknowledgement of curricula change.

Dr. Murray Milford, Assoc. Head - AGRO Dept.
March 5, 1998

TO: Liz Andrus  
Advisor, Dept. of ENTO

THROUGH: Dr. Craig Nessler  
Assoc. Head, BIOL

FROM: Dr. Timothy Scott  
Associate Director, Undergraduate Progs.

SUBJECT: Changes in Biology Curricula Affecting ENTO Department

The Department of Biology revised the curricula in the 6 degree plans that it administers. The change affecting the Department of Entomology is as follows:

1) We are requesting permission to use ENTO 302 as a directed elective for students in our B.S. Botany degree plan.

A copy of the most recent count of majors to project possible impact on ENTO 302 is included.

Please sign this memorandum noting the change in curricula in the space provided and return to me by March 20, 1998. If you have questions or concerns, please contact me at 845-7771. Thank you very much.

Acknowledgement of curricula change.

Liz Andrus, Advisor - ENTO Dept.
March 5, 1998

TO:       Dr. Neal Van Alfen  
          Head, Dept. of BESC/PLPA

THROUGH:  Dr. Craig Nessler  
          Assoc. Head, BIOL

FROM:     Dr. Timothy Scott  
          Associate Director, Undergraduate Programs.

SUBJECT:  Changes in Biology Curricula Affecting BESC/PLPA Department

The Department of Biology revised the curricula in the 6 degree plans that it administers. The changes affecting the Departments of Bioenvironmental Sciences and Plant Pathology are as follows:

1) We are requesting permission to use PLPA 302 as a directed elective for students in our B.S. Botany degree plan.

2) We are requesting permission to use any 400 level BESC course for directed electives for students in our B.S. Microbiology degree plan.

A copy of the most recent count of majors to project possible impact on 400 level BESC courses and PLPA 302 is included.

Please sign this memorandum noting the change in curricula in the space provided and return to me by March 20, 1998. If you have questions or concerns, please contact me at 845-7771. Thank you very much.

Acknowledgement of curricula change.

Dr. Neal Van Alfen, Head - BESC/PLPA Dept
March 5, 1998

TO: Dr. Doug Slack  
Assoc. Head for Undergraduate Progs., Dept. of WFSC

THROUGH: Dr. Craig Nessler  
Assoc. Head, BIOL

FROM: Dr. Timothy Scott  
Associate Director, Undergraduate Progs.

SUBJECT: Changes in Biology Curricula Affecting WFSC Department

The Department of Biology revised the curricula in the 6 degree plans that it administers. Several of these changes may affect enrollment in courses offered in your department. The changes affecting the Department of Wildlife Fisheries Sciences are as follows:

1) Students enrolled in our B.A. Biology or B.S. Botany degrees can no longer fulfill the Zoology elective by completing WFSC 302. Our department offers ZOOL 318 which closely corresponds with 302 and will meet the needs of our students.

2) Students enrolled in our B.A. Biology degree or B.S. Zoology degree can no longer fulfill the Zoology or Biology electives by completing WFSC 422. Our department offers ZOOL 434 which closely corresponds with 422 and will meet the needs of our students.

3) We are requesting permission to use WFSC 403 as a directed elective for students in our B.S. Botany degree plan.

Data reflecting enrollment in the affected courses for the last full academic year is attached, along with a copy of the most recent count of majors to project possible impact on WFSC 403.

Please sign this memorandum noting the change in curricula in the space provided and return to me by March 20, 1998. If you have questions or concerns, please contact me at 845-7771.

Thank you very much.

Acknowledgement of curricula change.

Dr. Doug Slack, Assoc. Head for Undergraduate Progs. - WFSC Dept.

We rec that your changes were completed. We are quite surprised that you would do this. It is quite unexpected.