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Undergraduate Council Action
AAA New Program in Product Design and 5th-year BFA Program

The motion was made that the Undergraduate Council endorse the AAA proposal for a new program in Product Design and a 5 th-year BFA program with the contingencies listed below.

Moved: Steven Pologe
Seconded: Dean Livelybrooks

The motion passed unanimously.

The Undergraduate Council supports the "Proposal for the Initiation of a New Instructional Program Leading to the Bachelor of Arts/Science, in Material and Product Studies and Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree in Product Design" sponsored by the School of Architecture and Allied Arts and the Departments of Arts and Architecture – provided that:

- 1) Funding for resources listed in the proposal in Section 10, "Faculty", on page 18 will be in place prior to admitting students into the programs;
- 2) Each cohort of students admitted in any year will have reasonable assurance that program resources will be in place long enough for them to graduate from the program to which they were admitted;
- 3) The start-up phase of the program will begin in fall of 2008 rather than the fall of 2007;
- 4) Program review and evaluation for the BFA program will include substantial input from industry.

The UGC also suggested the following even though this was not included in the language of the formal motion:

"The UGC encourages sponsors of these new programs to start a dialogue with the School of Journalism and Communication about potential areas of collaboration related to the new programs."

Additional notes-- (also not part of the motion):

- 1) If the page numbers of the motion do not match the page numbers of the final proposal, please substitute the correct numbers in the motion above. I will help you do this if needed.
- 2) In general, it is fair to say that the Undergraduate Council supports the development of this new program, in principle, pending sufficient external funding. This was the first time, in the memory of those present at the meeting, that the UGC voted to approve a program that had not yet been funded; hence the addition of the provisions in the motion.