3. Proposal to Rename Women’s Studies “Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies Program

BOWMAN/HOOK MOVED THE SENATE APPROVE the name change as listed in E-3, to Women, Gender and Sexuality Studies Program. He reminded that the change applies to the unit, not the degree programs.

CUMMINGS asked for clarification regarding process. MUSSEY, for Women’s Studies, noted that it was a 3-4 year consultative process, and brings the name up to date with current scholarship.

THE MOTION PASSED by unanimous voice vote.

4. Proposal for Ad Hoc Committee on Online Learning

BOWMAN presented the proposal for the Educational Policy Committee.

BOWMAN/DAASCH MOVED the Senate establish the committee as specified in “E-4.”

JHAJ queried why another committee was needed. BOWMAN noted that “COLT” was formed by the administration and is charged with infrastructure issues, whereas this committee is charged to conduct the Senate’s priorities. HANSEN, he noted that the COLT committee has been suspended, and he recommended more detail be added to this motion. WAMSER stated that the requisite detail is there in the last sentence. RUETER asked for clarification as to how this relates to “ACAIT,” KOCH stated that ACAIT has a broader scope than on-line learning, as opposed to COLT.

LIVNEH noted that there is no guarantee that appropriate units are represented. STERLING agreed. LAFFERRIERE noted that there are only a few committees that represent all units, none of which are ad-hoc. HENNING queried why the focus on online courses. BOWMAN stated that there is a steep increase in online instruction and it isn’t clear how all policies apply online. D. BROWN spoke in favor of the motion. SCHECHTER concurred. RUETER concurred, noting that there are outstanding issues in spite of the number of years we have offered online instruction. BROWER concurred, noting that EPC worked on this for a full year and still had questions. JHAH noted that the committee should have a Budget Committee representative and should examine how this fits into Senate planning. SHUSTERMAN noted that this issue is singled out because it keeps coming up; we need to know if we have a role.

THE QUESTION was called.

THE MOTION PASSED by unanimous voice vote.

5. Proposal to Amend the Constitution, Art. IV, 4, 4) Honors Council