The following items were circulated to Board of Studies members for consideration and approval on 9 July 2008. Members were requested to advise the Administrative Officer if they had any objections to the circulated items being approved. As there were no objections from members, the items are hereby minuted accordingly.

Imelda Ooi
Administrative Officer

1. PROPOSED CHANGES TO UNIT OFFERINGS IN THE CHEMISTRY DISCIPLINE REF: F5075

The School of Biomedical, Biomolecular and Chemical Sciences, had submitted a proposal to reduce its Level 3 unit offerings in Chemistry. Currently, the Discipline offered ten 6-point units at 3rd year level. The units support majors in chemistry, chemical physics and environmental chemistry. Whilst seven of the units were required for various programmes, CHEM3301, CHEM3306 and CHEM3308 were not essential for programmes but were considered essential preparation for students wishing to pursue research in honours and higher degrees at UWA. In order to ease serious staff workload issues within the Discipline, the School proposed that some Level 3 units be offered every second year. Eight Level 3 units will be offered each year, with CHEM3301 and CHEM3306 to be offered in even years and CHEM3305 and CHEM3307 to be offered in odd years. As a phasing-in year for 2009, CHEM3301, CHEM3305, and CHEM3307 will be offered but CHEM3306 and CHEM3311 will not be offered.

RESOLVED – 29

to recommend that the proposed changes to the unit offerings in the Chemistry Discipline be endorsed.

2. PROPOSED NEW UNIT – PHYS33XX PHYSICS VACATION PROJECT REF: F5075

The School of Physics had proposed a new unit, PHYS33XX Physics Vacation Project, which was a research project taken during the summer vacation. The School had been offering vacation research projects for over 15 years and students had now requested that they receive credit for these projects. The unit had been available to third year students intending to proceed to honours in Physics.

RESOLVED – 30

to recommend that the proposed new unit, PHYS33XX Physics Vacation Project, be endorsed.

3. PROPOSED CHANGE OF UNIT NAMES FOR HMES3377 AND HMES3356 REF: F5075

Based on the recommendation of the Dean, the School of Sport Science, Exercise and Health had decided to combine some of its units and making other units available at graduate level. It was proposed that the names of the following units be changed for 2009:

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The School had also proposed in the covering letter that the following units be listed as not available in 2009 as they would be converted to graduate units in 2010:

HMES3303 Sport/Recreation and Health Management
HMES3346 Skill Acquisition and Performance in Sport
HMES3387 Human Performance in Industry
RESOLVED – 31

to recommend that the following be endorsed:

(i) to change unit names of HMES3377 Management and Marketing in Sport, Health and Recreation of Exercise Science to 'Sport, Health and Recreation Management' and HMES3356 Neuromuscular Biomechanics to 'Neuromuscular Biomechanics and Motor Control'; and

(ii) to list HMES3303, HMES3346 AND HMES3387 as not available in 2009.

4. SUPPRESSION OF UNITS SCIE1121 OUR UNIVERSE, AND SCIE1122 OUR SOLAR SYSTEM

REF: F5075

The Head of the School of Physics had advised that the recent review of the School of Physics had recommended that the School cut back on its undergraduate units with low enrolments. The School had advised that enrolments in SCIE1121 Our Universe and SCIE1122 Our Solar System, had fluctuated in the range of 15-20 students since their inception. The School felt that the units were consuming a valuable resource namely staff time, which could be used more profitably for research and postgraduate supervision. The School however, did not wish to delete these two units pending the outcome of UWA Course Structures Review as it felt that the units would be ideal for students in Arts, and had requested that the units be listed as not available in 2009.

RESOLVED – 32

to recommend that SCIE1121 Our Universe and SCIE1122 Our Solar System, be listed as not available in 2009.

5. PROPOSED CHANGE OF UNIT NAMES FOR CHEM8801 AND CHEM8802

REF:

The School of Biomedical, Biomolecular and Chemical Sciences wished to change the unit name of the following units offered in the Master of Science (Analytical Chemistry) as the current names implied that they were two parts of the same unit when in fact they were two separate units.

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RESOLVED – 33

to recommend that the change in unit name of CHEM8801 Analytical Chemistry I: Molecular Analysis to 'Analytical Chemistry for Molecular Analysis' and CHEM8802 Analytical Chemistry II: Elemental Analysis to 'Analytical Chemistry for Elemental Analysis', be endorsed.

6. PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO BIOPHYSICS HONOURS

REF: F4788

The School of Physics had reviewed the Rules for the Biophysics honours in light of current student enrolments. The School had proposed to amend the structure in order to bring it in line with other honours structures currently in place in other schools in the Faculty, that is, to put more weight on the honours research project. The amendments were as follows:

(i) changing the points value of the dissertation unit from 24 points to a new 36-point Biophysics Honours Research Project; and

(ii) the remaining coursework units to the value of 12 points chosen from three recommended units and other units, in consultation with the Honours Co-ordinator.

RESOLVED – 34

to recommend that the changes to the Rules for Biophysics Honours and change in value of the Dissertation Unit be endorsed.