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TO: Lane Crothers, Chair, Academic Senate

FROM: Gregory Ferrence, Chairman

University Curriculum Committee

RE: Proposal from School of Music to Delete the Minor in Music Education

Attached, for Academic Senate review, you will find a proposal to drop the Minor in Music Education from the Music curriculum. This proposal was approved by the University Curriculum Committee November 30, 2005. The School of Music's rationale for this change follows:

"Only 2 people in the last twenty (20) years have completed the *Minor in Music Education*. Since the program is not in demand, the School of Music would like to delete this program. No arrangements need to be made for program faculty and students since there are no students in the program and faculty will still continue to teach the existing music education programs. As a result, there will not be any anticipated impact on current programs nor will there be any anticipated budgetary effects."

During discussion at UCC, it was brought out that the Minor in Music Education is not linked to certification and likely is the reason that there have been so few students enrolled. We support the School of Music's decision to delete the Minor in Music Education.

Sincerely,

Gregory M. Ferrence

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