MOTION: To approve the recommendation of the School of Allied Health professions and the Academic Program and Curriculum Committee to split the current Recreation major in the Department of Human Kinetics into two majors: Recreation and Kinesiology. Convert two existing areas of emphasis, Community Recreation and Therapeutic Recreation, into sub-majors of the Recreation major. Convert the Exercise/Fitness area of emphasis to a sub-major of Kinesiology and create a new sub-major of Kinesiology.

RATIONALE: Upon consultation with the Vice Chancellor’s Office and the UWS Vice President of Academic Affairs, the Department of Human Kinetics was advised to move forward this action item, which bifurcates the BS Recreation degree, as a "degree name change" type of modification. The action was occasioned by (1) the majors in Recreation (area of emphasis Exercise/Fitness) not being marketable with that major designation and (2) the external accreditation and certification agencies in the field of recreation requiring that a degree be entitled Recreation. To sum the entire action item,

1. The existing BS Recreation major will be bifurcated into two degrees: BS Recreation and BS Kinesiology.

2. The existing "areas of emphasis" entitled Community Recreation, Therapeutic Recreation and Exercise/Fitness will become submajors.

3. A new submajor entitled "Kinesiology" will be added.

4. The BS Recreation major will have two submajors: Therapeutic and Community Recreation; the BS Kinesiology major will have two submajors: Exercise/Fitness and Kinesiology.

This action to modify merely confirms what in fact is in place, adding a new submajor to accommodate a small group of students interested in focusing upon the movement sciences. No new resources (staff, budget or space) or curriculum (courses) are required.

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