Minter stated a quorum was present and called the meeting to order at 3:05 P.M. She said Brand was unable to attend as she was out of town. She noted there were not any Minutes to approve at this meeting; however they would be on the agenda at the next meeting.

Subcommittee Appointment – Proposal on Deletions of Joint Degrees in Mathematics and Statistics [copy of proposal attached to permanent record]
Minter indicated to APC membership that subcommittee members were needed to review the deletions of joint degrees in Mathematics and Statistics proposal and asked for volunteers for this subcommittee.

Minter [subcommittee chair] and Keown volunteered to serve on this subcommittee.

Expansion of the APC Discussion
Minter asked Bender to further explain and discuss this item. Bender referenced the document in each member’s handout packets [attached to permanent record] and stated this is carry-over business from last year. Bender said last semester the APC began conversation for a variety of reasons on the expansion of the APC from six to eight elected faculty members and that this document set forth some of those reasons. He said the committee’s workload has increased recently and probably will continue to increase in the foreseeable future. Some of the reasons for this increase are as follows: 1) the APC expects to take a more active role in soliciting, reviewing and making recommendations on proposals for improving the efficiency of the academic operations of the university, 2) the APC has decided to establish a new standing committee to deal specifically with certificate programs, and 3) APC’s role in the university’s procedures for handling significant budget reductions or reallocations. Discussion ensued. Bender noted this
document recommends that the apportionment of the two elected members among the various university disciplines be determined by the Faculty Senate. It was noted that the syllabus and the Operating Procedures of the APC would need to be revised if this document was approved.

Ball moved and Koewn seconded to approve this document and to send this document to the Faculty Senate.

Minter asked if there were further discussion or questions and there were none.

Matters from Vice Chancellor(s) of Academic Affairs, Institute of Agriculture and Natural Resources, and Research and Economic Development
Weissinger briefly discussed the past budget hearing. She also briefly discussed the implementation of the University of Nebraska-Lincoln Voluntary Separation Incentive Program (VSIP), which will offer one-year salary buyouts to tenured faculty members who are age 62 or older and 10 or more year of service. She said sign up for this program begins September 15 and that one must apply by November 1 for consideration.

Upcoming Budget Hearing Discussion
Nunez mentioned the upcoming Hearing scheduled on September 29 that will focus on reduction items identified by the College of Engineering.

Other Business
None

There being no further business. The meeting was adjourned at 3:50 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

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