CAO Meeting # 1 (09/07/2023)

Present: Steven Van Dessel (Chair, CEAE), Greg Lewin (Secretary, RBE), Nick Blank (Director of Academic Programs, Undergraduate Studies), Danielle Cote (MME), Arne Gericke (CBC, Interim Dean of Undergraduate Studies), Jianyu Liang (MME), Sarah Miles (Registrar), Paul Reilly (Assistant Dean of Student Success), Qingshuo Song (MA)

Absent: None

Scheduled: Thursday, September 7, 2023, 12pm **Location:** Virtual meeting via video conference

Meeting was called to order at 12:05 pm.

Old Business

1. A motion to add CS/IMGD 4300: Graphics, Simulation, and Aesthetics, which was approved last year but didn't make it to the consent agenda, was re-approved on August 23 via email.

New Business

- 1. A motion to remove TH 3320, Shakespeare in Performance, was approved.
- 2. A motion to add TH 310X, Scene Study for Actors & Directors, was approved.
 - In the discussion of the previous motion, S. Miles noted that the administration has had conversations about whether recommended backgrounds should focus on skills and knowledge or specific courses. G. Lewin asked if there would be any guidance forthcoming.
- 3. A motion to change the Distribution Requirements for the Civil Engineering major was tabled. The proposed change would reduce the free electives from 3/3 units to 2/3 units. P. Reilly asked if there was a policy or guidance for the number of free electives; several attendees pointed out that some majors only have space for 2/3, 1/3, or even 0/3 free electives. A. Gericke will look into previous motions to determine if there is a policy or guidance.

Meeting adjourned at 12:50pm.

Respectfully submitted, Greg Lewin Secretary, CAO