I. Two special electronic (email) meetings were held for the purpose of approving special topics courses. The meetings were called by Chair Mike Darre. Members responding: Marilyn Altobello, Rhonda Brownbill, Mike Darre, George Elliott, Sal Frasca, Susan Gregoire, Pat Jepson, Gary Kazmer, and Mark Rudnicki.

I. New Business:

A. **ADD**: (First time offering of special topics course)
   - PLSC 3995. Transgenic crops from farm to fork.
     - Fall semester. Two credits. Two class periods. *Auer*.
     - Exploration of transgenic crops through analysis of global production, patents, risk analysis, government regulation, food labeling, economic impacts and coexistence. Designed for students from all disciplines.
     - **MOTION PASSED CANR CC 13-14-01**

B. **ADD**: (First time offering of special topics course)
   - GAPH 5095. **INVESTIGATION FOR SPECIAL TOPIC**: Latent-Variable Modeling for Health Sciences
     - Fall semester. Three credits. Prerequisite: A course in pre-calculus or higher; STAT 1000Q or 1100Q or higher.
     - This course presents advanced multivariate statistical methods focusing on statistical techniques commonly used in empirical research under a latent-variable approach. This course will teach the students latent-variable modeling techniques in order to analyze complex or multilevel databases. At the end of the course, students will understand how to analyze multivariate data using the latent-variable concept to test a variety of health-related research hypotheses. A knowledge of linear models is preferable for participants enrolling in this course.
     - **MOTION PASSED CANR CC 13-14-02**

II. Time and Place of next meeting. September 20, 2013, York Room in GW?