

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
February 16, 2010

Present: Bryan, Dishaw, Garrison, Gunawardena, Heider, Jones, Kaltcheva, Kostman, McCann, Meyerson, Mrotek, Pontynen, Robson, Simmons, Wacholtz, Wurzbach

Absent: Bahcall, Beyer, Carell, Dempsey, Lattery, Loewenstein, Neal, Roth, Saginak,

Administrative Representative: Provost Earns

Academic Staff Representative: Lynn Freeman

Oshkosh Student Association Representative: Ann Duginske

Guests: Perry Rettig, Lisa Danielson, Mike Eierman, Ruth Freiburger, Alex Grupp (OSA)

Minutes in Brief

At the February 16, 2010 meeting of the Faculty Senate, Representative Duginske (OSA) gave a brief report. President Robson gave reports from the Provost Administrative Staff and U-Plan meetings. Under the PAS report, Provost Earns gave a brief background to the new growth agenda plan being discussed at the UW System level. Associate Vice Chancellor Rettig introduced and discussed aspects of the Graduation Project. The Early Alert System data for the first semester pilot group was presented by Registrar Danielson and Director of Advising Lynn Freeman. The pilot program is continuing with ongoing analysis and potential expansion to be discussed in the future. The Senate approved Business 111 as a new general education course after some concerns about timing were discussed. The Senate approved the following committee appointments: Dale Feinauer (COB) and Colin Long (COLS)-**Search and Screen Committee for the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Life Long Learning and Community Engagement**. It was noted under the U-plan information that UW System supports the Bachelor's of Applied Arts and Sciences (BAAS) Degree proposal which has been given an entitlement to plan for select campuses of the UW Colleges. Lastly, System's Differential Tuition & Budget Planning materials distributed at U-plan were presented. Information on the recent approval of the UW- Eau Claire differential tuition plan was provided and the impacts were discussed.

President Robson called to order at 3:18 p.m.

I. State of the University

A. Reports

1. SAS (Freeman) – no report
2. OSA (Duginske) – (1) OSA is working on building an academic program assessment plan; (2) they are having student representatives visit this weekend to discuss merger with United Council; and (3) student evaluations and student health insurance have been areas of discussions,
3. PAS (Robson) – (1) The Provost Administrative Staff meeting discussed issues related to system's support of the Bachelor of Applied Arts and Science Degree, that selected UW College campuses will offer; (2) System approved an entitlement to plan the BAAS degree for select UW campuses; (3) A working group is being created to work on having all online courses available at one source; (4) The Assistant Vice Chancellor of Academic Support for Inclusivity Search & Screen committee has the pool down to six candidates; and (5) the Search & Screen Committee for the Assistant Vice Chancellor for lifelong learning and community engagement starts meeting next week.

4. U-Plan (Robson) – (1) BOR meeting update was given and included an update on the approved differential tuition plan for Eau Claire; (2) Provost Earns & President Robson discussed the Growth Agenda Template. Page 277 of the materials distributed to Senators noted UWO Data on graduation and retention and potential increases in the number of graduates we might be able to generate if we are able to get the necessary resources. It was also noted that without these resources, the number of projected graduates cannot be attained.
- B. Graduation Project – Perry Rettig – Associate Vice Chancellor Rettig and Ruth Freiburger updated the Senate on the Graduation Project and its effectiveness over the past four years. They highlighted things such as over 150 students have come back and finished their Bachelor’s degree. Academic advising is working with more students to help them attain their Bachelor’s degree. The Graduation project has been helping with retention.
 - C. Early Alert System – Lisa Danielson & Lynn Freeman – The Pilot program that ran last fall went very well. Data on who participated in the program was distributed. Over 91% of the freshman class was enrolled in at least one of the seven courses piloting the program. A positive response has led to running it again this spring. They were unable to provide the senate with results on the effectiveness of the program due to the time commitment required to compile the data. A task force composed predominately of faculty is going to evaluate the results of the program and provide recommendations on how to proceed. The pilot program is continuing during the spring at the request of the instructors involved during the fall semester.

II. Minutes of February 2, 2010

MOTION: Moved approval by McCann/Kostman. Approved.

III. Old Business

A. BUS 111 – Mike Eierman

12-15-09 MOTION: Moved to approve APC (Form A) by Neal/Wurzbach.

Passed 2-16-2010. (9 yes/5 no)

FS0910-24 The Faculty Senate approved the APC document Form A for BUS 111-approval of General Education/Optional Basic Knowledge and Skills.

IV. New Business

A. Committee Appointment

1. Search & Screen Committee for the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Life Long Learning & Community Engagement - Dale Feinauer (COB) & Colin Long (Geography)

MOTION: Moved to approve committee appointments by Wacholtz/Wurzbach. Passed.

FS0910-25 The Faculty Senate approved the appointment of Dale Feinauer & Colin Long to the Search & Screen Committee for the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Life Long Learning & Community Engagement.

V. Items from Members

- A. Collective Bargaining – Senator Meyerson let everyone know that the Faculty Senate Web site will soon have a page just for Collective Bargaining, the draft version is almost complete and the senate has been given access to it. Stephen Kercher is the

contact person for the website. He has requested input from the Senate before making the site becomes public.

- B. Student Appeals Committee – Discussion highlighted that there is no university wide committee for academic appeals. The development of such a committee is being discussed.

VI. Information Items

- A. Growth Agenda Template [pp 277-279]
- B. BAAS [pp 280-301]
- C. Differential Tuition & Budget Planning Materials found on FS website

Meeting adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

Bill Wacholtz
Past-president

April Dutscheck
Recorder.