

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
March 16, 2010

Present: Bryan, Carell, Dempsey, Dishaw, Garrison, Gunawardena, Heider, Kaltcheva, Kostman, Lattery, Loewenstein, McCann, Meyerson, Mrotek, Neal, Robson, Roth, Saginak, Simmons

Absent: Bahcall, Beyer, Jones, Pontynen, Wacholtz, Wurzbach

Administrative Representative: Provost Earns

Academic Staff Representative: Lynn Freeman

Oshkosh Student Association Representative: absent

Guests: Carleen Vande Zande, Josh Ranger

Minutes in Brief

At the March 16, 2010 meeting of the Faculty Senate, Representative Freeman gave a report on the activities of the SAS. President Robson gave a report from the recent U-plan meeting whose topics included the new growth agenda and the mission statement. Josh Ranger discussed archiving policy for the University especially with respect to student records. The Faculty Senate approved the COB Bylaws. The Senate also discussed the VSA recommendations by FSCASL and decided to table the matter until the April 20th meeting. The Senate approved the following committee appointment: Loretta Mason-Williams (COEHS)-**Search and Screen Committee for the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Engagement and Success/Dean of Students**. One item from the floor, voting rights for continuing instructional academic staff, was briefly discussed.

President Robson called to order at 3:15 p.m.

I. State of the University

A. Reports

1. SAS (Freeman) – (1) The Senate for Academic Staff has been working with Human Resources on Salary Equity and is putting together a workshop to inform academic staff about it; (2) They have been also been working on the same topics as the Faculty Senate, such as Collective Bargaining and the Mission Statement.
2. U-Plan (Robson) – (1) A special meeting of U-Plan was held last week to discuss the mission statement and campus plan for meeting the growth agenda. The mission statement will go through another round of edits. The growth agenda materials that were included in senator's packets were highlighted. Feed back on the campus plan for meeting the growth agenda along with the necessary enabling conditions is being solicited by the Chancellor. He will be at our April 20th meeting to discuss this. The final campus plan has to be given to System by May 3rd.

B. Josh Ranger – Archiving Student Records [pp 371-372]

Josh Ranger gave a presentation on what student records faculty are responsible for keeping and for how long. This information needs to be disseminated to all faculty and he asked for suggestions on how best to do this.

II. Minutes of March 2, 2010

MOTION: Moved approval by McCann/Neal. Approved.

III. Old Business

A. COB Bylaws [pp 373-380]

MOTION: Removed from table by President Robson.

MOTION: Moved to approve COB Bylaws. Passed.

FS0910-28 The Faculty Senate approved the COB Bylaws

B. Endorse VSA recommendations by FSCASL [pp 381-382]

Discussion ensued related to VSA and the FSCASL recommendation. Concerns about the use of a standardized measure, not specifically designed for our needs, becoming the main focus of assessment even though that is not the intent, were voiced. A stronger statement reflecting these concerns was requested. The FSCASL will modify their recommendations with this in mind. A new draft will be presented for approval at the April 20th meeting.

MOTION: Moved to approve the FSCASL recommendation of VSA by Neal/Mrotek.

MOTION to table definitely to the April 20th meeting to strengthen the language of the recommendation so it addresses noted concerns by Loewenstein/Dishaw.

IV. New Business

A. Committee Appointment

1. Search & Screen Committee for the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Engagement and Success/Dean of Students – Loretta Mason-Williams (Special Education)

It was noted by President Robson that we still need another faculty representative for this search.

MOTION: Moved to approve the committee appointment of Loretta Mason-Williams to the Search & Screen Committee for the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Engagement and Success/Dean of Students by Simmons/Kostman. Passed.

FS0910-29 The Faculty Senate approved the committee appointment of Loretta Mason-Williams to the Search & Screen Committee for the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Student Engagement and Success/Dean of Students.

V. Items from Members

- A. Elections begin tomorrow, remember to vote
- B. Senator Dishaw informed the Senate of the upcoming approval of the CON Bylaws. They would like to have them approved prior to their accreditation visit.
- C. Senator Neal asked to have voting privileges for continuing instructional academic staff be reviewed.

VI. Information Items

A. Growth Agenda Material

Meeting adjourned at 4:30p.m.

Todd Kostman
Senator

April Dutschek
Recorder