

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
September 16, 2014

Present: Baltutis, Basler, Beyer, Chybowski, Cowling, Eichler-Levine, Eroh, Garrison, Hogle, Hones, Loewenstein, McCann, Neal, Pereksta, Price, Robson, Roth, Rutz, Saginak, Simmons, Sipes, Stojilovic, Westphal

Absent: Kostman

Excused: Alexandrov

Administrative Representative: Provost Earns

Academic Staff Representative: Greg Wypiszynski

Oshkosh Student Association Representative: Graham Sparks

Guests: Interim Chancellor Petra Roter, Mamadou Coulibaly, Tracy Slagter, Druscilla Scribner, Angela Subulwa

Minutes in Brief:

At the September 16, 2014 Faculty Senate meeting, reports were given from the OSA and the Academic Staff Senate. Mamadou Coulibaly was presented with a certificate of appreciation from the senate for his work on the GIS map that was a retirement gift for former Chancellor Wells. Druscilla Scribner, Angela Subulwa, and Tracy Slagter summarized the proposed Global Citizenship general education requirement upcoming request. Interim Chancellor Petra Roter gave a brief report on current initiatives. The senate approved a series of appointments proposed by the Committee on Committees. Appointments from among the senators were made to several other committees

President Neal called the meeting to order at 3:11 p.m.

Introductions were made around the table

I. State of the University -

A. Reports

1. OSA (Sparks) – OSA - Vice President Sparks reported – (1) The Titan Transit project for installing GPS units is being completed; (2) There is continued progress on getting the Reading Program to be a free application for downloading; (3) Printing allocations have been implemented; (4) A SUFAC meeting in Madison was held and attended; (6) OSA will be voting on possibly including freshman to their senate; (7) The previous relationship with United Council will now be held with SUFAC, which will be leading to some OSA Bylaw revisions.
2. SAS (Wypiszynski) – (1) Normal reports were shared; (2) With some changes in leadership, and new President, and executive board were determined (Lisa Szromba-President, Richard Marshall-President Elect); (3) A bylaws revision is forthcoming; & (4) and Chancellor Search update was given.
3. PAS (Neal) – The meeting was canceled due to Chancellor interviews on campus.
4. U-Plan (Neal) – The main topic was a budget update.

B. University Update – Interim Chancellor Roter gave an update on the Chancellor interviews, noted to senate that she is looking forward to working with senate during the transition period prior to selecting the new Chancellor (with plans to announce by September 29th if possible), and gave a heads up to some upcoming projects. The projects noted were: Updated Mission statement and Title 9 training.

C. Thank you to Dr. Coulibaly – The GIS Map was displayed for senate to see, and President Neal presented Dr. Coulibaly with a certificate of appreciation.

D. Non –Western - Global Citizenship Discussion

With the Implementation of USP still ongoing, the hopes-is to change the language for the requirement from “non-western” to “global citizenship”. A lengthy discussion ensued over issues related to this proposed change such as the definition of diversity, making sure all three signature questions are included in the update, and what to do with 300 level courses meeting the definition since general education courses are to be at the 100 & 200 level.

II. Minutes of May 13, 2014

MOTION: Moved approval of the April 8, 2014 minutes as amended by McCann/Cowling. Passed.

III. Old Business – None

IV. New Business

A. Committee on Committee Appointments

1. IRB – Nadia Louar, Theresa Wegner, David Lishner (re-apt), Victoria Beck (re-apt),
2. Distinguished Teaching Award – Jaya Jambunathan (1 yr)
3. Search & Screen – Human Resources Director – Jen Basler & April Spivack
4. Search & Screen – Facilities Director – Joseph Peterson & Maureen Muldoon
5. Search & Screen – Equity & Affirmative Action Director – David Jones & Amy Parrott
6. Oshkosh Student & Scholarly Activities Board -System Representatives to the Wisconsin System Council on Undergraduate Research – Jonathan Gutow, Stephen Kercher & Susan Surendonk.

MOTION: Move to approve the committee appointments by Robson/Sipes. Passed.

FS 1415-01 The Faculty Senate approved the following committee appointments: IRB –Nadia Louar, Theresa Wegner, Victoria Beck & David Lishner; Distinguished Teaching Award – Jaya Jambunathan; Search & Screen for HR Director-Jen Basler & April Spivack; Search & Screen for Facilities Director-Joseph Peterson & Maureen Muldoon; Search & Screen for Equity & Affirmative Action-David Jones & Amy Parrott; Oshkosh Student & Scholarly Activities Boars System Representatives- Jonathan Gutow, Stephen Kercher, & Susan Surrendonk.

A. Senator Committee Appointments

1. APC – Senator Eroh
2. Administrators Evaluation Committee – Senator Westphal
3. Elections Committee – Senator Rutz
4. Bylaws – Senators Eichler-Levine and Cowling

V. Discussion Items - None

VI. Items from Members –

- A. President Neal updated the senate on the total collection of the money towards the Chancellor’s gift and what it will be used for in addition to the map.
- B. President Neal shared the Faculty Representatives agenda, and said to let her know if anyone has any items they would like her to bring to a future meeting.

VII. Information Item –

- A. CON Special Election Results -
- B. University Studies Courses (*see Google Drive under Faculty Senate 9-16-2014 Mtg*)
 1. Quest III - Biology 104 – Ecosphere in Crisis
 2. Explore – Religious Studies 164 – Religion and Nature

Meeting adjourned by Simmons/Neal Senator at 4:31 p.m.

Kay Neal, President

April Dutschek, Recorder