

**FACULTY SENATE MINUTES**  
**October 6, 2020**

Present: Chrobak, Cortes, Dilkes, Fonkem, Fuller, Herzberg, Jurmu, Kim, Krueger, Lancaster, Loewenstein, Manning, Matson, Otto, Palmeri, Panske, Scribner, Short-Meyerson, Stojilovic, Stuart, Szydluk, Tirel, Wagoner, Weglarz, Wren

Excused: Cotti, Heath

Absent:

Administration Representative:	John Koker
Senate of Academic Staff Representative:	Laura Smolinski
University Staff Senate Representative:	TBD
Oshkosh Student Association Representative:	Kenya Kaldunski
Guests:	Carmen Faymonville, Michael Bartlett, Kenneth Price, Michelle Kuhl, Holly Shea

**Minutes in Brief**

At the October 6, 2020 meeting of the Faculty Senate, the reports of the Senate of Academic Staff, OSA, and Access Campus were given, and the minutes of the September 22, 2020 meeting were approved. Assistant Director for Human Resources Holly Shea shared COVID, caregiving, and furlough updates. Provost Koker gave an update on Academic Planning. Committee appointments, Ethnic Studies Definition, and handbook changes related to Assessment were approved. President Scribner provided an update from Leadership Council. The meeting adjourned at 4:35 p.m.

President Scribner called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

- I. Welcome and Introductions – Senators were welcomed and introductions were made from those present.
- II. Guest: Holly Shea, Assistant Director of Human Resources. Holly Shea introduced herself and thanked Senate for having her as a guest. She covered leave options during the pandemic; impacts and options for caregivers; and current furlough input processes. She then answered questions from Senators.
- III. Provost Koker – Academic Program Plan Update. Provost thanked those who are participating in the interview and workshop processes with Gray Associates. He reminded everyone that the major goal for this whole process is to find ways to increase enrollment and retention and better position UWO for the future by identifying areas where we want to make investments.
- IV. State of the University
  - a. Senate of Academic Staff (Smolinski) – A short meeting was held that included reports and a committee appointment.
  - b. University Staff Senate (TBD) – No report
  - c. OSA (Kaldunski) – OSA published its recent resolutions.
  - d. Access Campus (Jurmu) – Campuses are full speed ahead with the new fall schedule and trucking right along.
- V. Minutes of September 22, 2020  
The September 22, 2020 minutes stand approved as distributed.
- VI. Unfinished Business – None

VII. New Business/Action Items

- A. Committee Appointments:  
1. IOI – Jason Woldt (COB)

**MOTION: Cortes/Jurmu moved to approve the committee appointment. 1 Abstention, 23 Yes. Passed**

**FS 2021-04 The Faculty Senate approved the following committee appointment: IOI – Jason Woldt.**

2. Faculty Senate Elections Committee – 3 seats:  
Senators Herzberg, Panske, and Dilkes volunteered to serve.

**MOTION: Tirel/Stojilovic moved to approve the committee appointments. Passed Unanimously.**

**FS 2021-05 The Faculty Senate approved the following committee appointments: Faculty Senate Elections Committee: Senators Herzberg, Panske, and Dilkes.**

B. Ethnic Studies Definition – Updated

Dr. Ken Price covered the updates made to the document. He credited Dr. Simpson and Dr. Kuhl for the feedback and work to make the requested updates. It was reported that the definition will inform the creation of a checklist and work with instructors to keep courses aligned with expectations.

**MOTION: Cortes/Stuart moved to approve the Ethnic Studies Definition. 1 Abstention, 23 Yes. Passed**

**FS 2021-06 The Faculty Senate approved the Ethnic Studies Definition.**

- C. Proposed Changes to the UW Oshkosh Faculty and Academic Staff Handbook related to Assessment

**MOTION: Krueger/Stojilovic moved to approve the Proposed Changes to the UW Oshkosh Faculty and Academic Staff Handbook on Assessment (GOV 3.4 Faculty Senate Committee on the Assessment of Student Learning (FSCASL), GOV 3.2 University Studies Program Committee, and Appendix C Academic Assessment). 1 Abstention, 23 Yes. Passed.**

Assessment in the future for the Associate's Degree was inquired about and follow-up requested.

**FS 2021-07 The Faculty Senate approved the Proposed Changes to the UW Oshkosh Faculty and Academic Staff Handbook on Assessment.**

VIII. Discussion Items

- A. Handbook Change Form – The drafted form was discussed at length. It was shared that an officially approved form would prove to be helpful in tracking handbook change updates and being sure that the official handbook has approval dates for tracking.

IX. Committee Reports

- A. Assessment Committee – Senator Krueger reported during the discussion in agenda item VII.C.  
B. Improvement of Instruction Committee continues to meet and work with the SOS implementation team. Senators were reminded to attend the upcoming open forum.

X. Information Items

- A. Elections Report – Math/Science Seat. Lace Luedke won the special election for the seat.

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B. USP Items:

1. Information System 151 (QIII)
2. Liberal Studies 209 (QI)
3. Anthropology 224 (QII)
4. Sociology 281 (Explore)

XI. Items from Members

- a. Senator Fuller reported from APC that they are gathering feedback on the Program Review Process. He asked for any feedback to be sent to him for him to report back to APC.

XII. President's Report

- A. Leadership Council: Updates included COVID, Enrollment numbers, Title IX policy, and SIRT Updates.

**MOTION: Lancaster/Jurmu moved to adjourn at 4:35 p.m. Passed.**

April Dutscheck,  
Recorder