

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

September 22, 2009

Present: Beyer, Carell, Dempsey, Dishaw, Garrison, Gunawardena, Heider, Jones, Kaltcheva, Kostman, Lattery, Loewenstein, McCann, Meyerson, Mrotek, Neal, Pontynen, Robson, Saginak, Simmons, Wacholtz, Wurzbach

Absent: Bahcall, Bryan, Roth

Administrative Representative: Perry Rettig

Academic Staff Representative: Lynn Freeman

Oshkosh Student Association Representative: David Litman

Guests: Tim Danielson, Alfred Kisubi, Penny Garcia, Martin Tadlock, Charlie Hill

Minutes in Brief

At the September 22, 2009 meeting of the Faculty Senate, President Robson welcomed a number of new Senators to the Senate. Reports from the SAS, OSA, Provost Administrative Staff, U-Plan and issues raised during summer committee meetings were presented. Furlough issues and their implementation were discussed by Tim Danielson and H1N1 planning updates were presented by Associate Vice Chancellor Rettig. After discussion the Senate approved Center for New Learning curricular issues that were previously approved by the APC but tabled by the Faculty Senate during its May 26, 2009 meeting. The Senate approved the following committee appointments: Chris Edwards (COLS)-**Allocations**; Hong Zhang (COLS)-**Budget**; David Lishner (COLS)-**Compensation**; Eli Kalman (COLS)-**Distinguished Teaching Award**; Sarah Stanley (COB)-**Gender Equity Council**, Kay Neal (COLS)-**HR Director Search & Screen Committee**, Nenad Stojilovic (COLS)- **Personnel Policies**; Isabel Alvarez (COLS) **Restructuring**; Jerry Carpenter (COLS)-**Rosebush Committee** and Ramanathan Jambunathan (COLS)- **Student Conduct**. The Human Services Undergraduate Program review was approved. Volunteers from the new senators to serve on Faculty Senate committees were solicited.

I. State of the University

A. Welcome new senators

Lori Carrell, Leona Dempsey, Carmen Heider, Mark Lattery, Leigh Ann Mrotek, & Kelli Saginak

B. Summer Reports

1. SAS (Freeman) –

(1) Human Resources piloted an Academic Staff workshop highlighting equity and title changes. Workshops will be offered in November for all academic staff.

(2) Academic Staff would like to collaborate with Faculty Senate in regards to Collective Bargaining.

2. OSA (David Litman) –

(1) Orgsync program is being implemented to increase the efficiency of organizing various student groups.

(2) Titan transit has a new service provider and a new schedule.

(3) Student Savings club provides students, faculty, and staff with online coupons for local businesses.

3. Summer Issues (Wacholtz/Robson) – Summer was relatively quiet only a few COC appointments and the Human Services program review that was sent forward for full senate approval.

4. PAS (Wacholtz) –
 - (1) Grad school enrollments are up. Al Hartman is working on special projects designed to improve enrollment.
 - (2) The University Honor's Committee is focusing on student retention. There was also preliminary discussion on changing the structure of the honors program so it will be more like other university programs.
 - (3) The STEP Program is a go. Students are to be hired not only to support faculty needs, but also to add value to the students' academic experience.
 - (4) A change in Gov 6.4 (job recruitment) was discussed. Language included faculty in this process, which did not meet faculty recruitment needs. The language including faculty has been removed.
 - (5) Summer Session – 500 more students were enrolled than last year, but there were 300 less in traditional (face-to-face) classes and 800 more in online classes.

5. U-Plan (Robson) -
 - (1) OSA presented a new textbook option (handout) to the Board of Regents (BOR). They have applied for a FIPSE grant to set up a pilot study.
 - (2) Update on VSA – CLA will be administered this year as a trial run (System is paying for it). The Assessment Committee is to work with Assistant Vice Chancellor Vandezande and Duane Goupell, testing services, on recommending which external assessment instrument and which internal assessments we would like to include in the VSA. They will also work determining how information will be disseminated to various constituencies.
 - (3) Chancellor Wells talked about the STEP program and how to assess its effect on enhancing students' learning experience.
 - (4) Developing emerging technology centers, designed to link academic research with economic development, have been recommended to the BOR. Funding will not be available until at least the 2011 - 2013 budget cycle.
 - (5) A Report on Remedial Education in the University of Wisconsin System was given at the BOR meeting (executive summary handed out). Chancellor Wells included a NYT article, "Even Good Students Not Being Retained", to point out the need for continued work on student retention
 - (6) BOR approved Kinesiology as a major.
 - (7) Foundation is expanding its Pride, Purpose, Promise campaign to include funding for high impact educational initiatives.
 - (8) Ground breaking for the new academic building is set for Oct 16th at 9:30 am.

6. Furloughs (Tim Danielson)

Update was given on how it affects faculty. There are four fixed days everyone must take unless the Chancellor grants a dispensation to faculty having academic obligations that cannot be moved to another date (field trips, conferences, etc.) There are also two floating days that need to be reported on sick leave forms. Salaries will be decreased each month for faculty, instead of when the furloughs are taken. Furloughs will apply to summer CAS (the equivalent to 1 day for 7.5% and 2 days for 15%) and to sabbaticals. Danielson noted people can feel free to contact the Human Resources office with any questions.

7. H1N1 Planning Update (Rettig)

Acting Provost Rettig referred Senators to an email sent out earlier in the day. H1N1 flu shots will be available in early October. Faculty need to think about how they will deal, not only with students missing a number of classes, but with their own illness. Since the BOR has suspended the need for faculty and staff to have a doctor's excuse for missing more than five days, it is recommended that instructors also be lenient about requiring notes from doctors.

II. Minutes of May 26, 2009

MOTION: Moved approval as amended (page 4). Passed.

III. Old Business

A. Program Action Routing Sheets (Form C) (Tabled definitely from 5-26-09)

- a. CNL: BAS/Leadership and Organizational Studies Major – Remove LIB STDS 410, 411, & 412. Add LIB STDS 436
- b. CNL: BAS-Fire & Emergency Response Mgt Major—Change Nursing 408 from requirement to elective.
- c. CNL: BAS-Fire & Emergency Response Mgt Major—Add LIB STDS 319 as requirement choice.
- d. CNL: BAS-Fire & Emergency Response Mgt Major—Increase required credits from 38 to 40.
- e. CNL: BAS-Fire & Emergency Response Mgt Major – Establish a certificate option.
- f. CNL: BAS/Leadership and Organizational Studies Major—Change social science requirement.
- g. CNL: BLS-Organizational Administration Emphasis—Change Requirements.
- h. CNL: BLS-Organizational Administration Emphasis—Replace Econ 204 with "any economics course."

MOTION: Moved to remove from the table by Kostman/Dishaw.

MOTION: Moved to approve the APC items a - h by Neal/Dishaw. Approved

FS0910-01 The Faculty Senate approves the following APC items: CNL: BAS/Leadership and Organizational Studies Major – Remove LIB STDS 410, 411, & 412. Add LIB STDS 436; BAS-Fire & Emergency Response Mgt Major—Change Nursing 408 from requirement to elective; BAS-Fire & Emergency Response Mgt Major—Add LIB STDS 319 as requirement choice; BAS-Fire & Emergency Response Mgt Major—Increase required credits from 38 to 40; BAS-Fire & Emergency Response Mgt Major – Establish a certificate option; BAS/Leadership and Organizational Studies Major—Change social science requirement; BLS-Organizational Administration Emphasis—Change Requirements; BLS-Organizational Administration Emphasis—Replace Econ 204 with "any economics course".

IV. New Business

A. New Senators on Committees (volunteer sheet)

Senators are requested to complete the volunteer sheet and return it to April ASAP.

B. Committee on Committees Recommendations (Karl Loewenstein)

- a. Rosebush Committee – Jerry Carpenter
- b. Distinguished Teaching Award Committee – Eli Kalman
- c. Allocations Committee – Chris Edwards
- d. Gender Equity Council – Sarah Stanley

The following CoC recommendations were added to the list:

1. Budget-Hong Zhang
2. Personnel Policies-Nenad Stojilvoic
3. Student Conduct-Ramanathan Jambunathan
4. Restructuring- Isabel Alvarez
5. HR Director Search-Kay Neal
6. Compensation-David Lishner

MOTION: Move to add six more appointments-Kostman/Meyerson. Approved.

MOTION: Simmons/Wurzbach approvals. Passed.

FS0910-02 The Faculty Senate approves the following COC appointments: Rosebush Committee – Jerry Carpenter; Distinguished Teaching Award Committee – Eli Kalman; Allocations Committee – Chris Edwards; Gender Equity Council; Budget-Hong Zhang; Personnel Policies-Nenad Stojilvoic; Student Conduct-Ramanathan Jambunathan; Restructuring-Isabel Alvarez; HR Director Search-Kay Neal; Compensation-David Lishner.

C. Program Review

1. Human Services Undergraduate Program Review

MOTION: Move to endorse by Kostman/Beyer. Passed. (one abstention)

FS0910-03 The Faculty Senate endorses the Human Services Undergraduate Program Review.

V. Items from Members

Past-president Wacholtz recognized Senator David Jones as the 2009 Barbara Sniffen Award winner.

The meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

Bill Wacholtz
Past-president

April Dutschek
Recorder