

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
October 1, 2013

Present: Alexandrov, Basler Bentivenga, Beyer, Chappy, Chybowski, Cowling, Garrison, Hoglund, Kercher, Liske, McCann, Neal, Petronicolous, Price, Robson, Saginak, Siemers, Simmons, Sipes, Stojilovic

Excused: Bryan, Eichler-Levine

Absent: Kostman, Roth

Administrative Representative: Provost Earns

Academic Staff Representative: David Gilboa

Oshkosh Student Association Representative: Joseph Erd

Guests: Sharon Kipetz, Kathleen Mueske, Kim Nguyen, Brian Ledwell, Liz Whalley, Nathan Stuart

Minutes in Brief:

At the October 1, 2013 meeting of the Faculty Senate, Joseph Erd reported on the activities of OSA, David Gilboa had no report for SAS, and President Kay Neal reported on the recent meetings of both Faculty Reps and the Provost's Staff. Dean of Students Sharon Kipetz gave an update on the Student at Risk Response Team and the Victim Series. Kim Nguyen from Administrative Computing gave a presentation on Plone and the Intranet project. The senate made the following committee appointments: Jim Simmons (LL&CE Academic Counsel), Alan Saginak (Director of Counseling Search & Screen), and Sarah Hansen (Health & Safety Committee). Remedial Education Policy was briefly discussed. President Neal asked senators to review the update on minor changes in university's Salary Equity Policy, the UWO Accountability Report, a proposal for a Faculty Development Compensation Sub-Committee, an Academic Freedom article, and the recently approved University Studies courses.

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

I. State of the University -

A. Reports

1. OSA (Erd) – A parking presentation was given, and the meal plan details are being resolved.
2. SAS (Gilboa) – nothing to report.
3. PAS (Neal) – A 1% pay increase will happen this semester, as well as a second 1% next semester, to assure that both happen in this budget year. At the next Board of Regents meeting there will be a salary equity workload report given, and HLC accreditation committees will be formed in the next few weeks. GEN 4 & 2.5 were approved at Provost Staff and will come to Faculty Senate soon.

4. Faculty Reps (Neal) – UWS President search and screen includes our own Provost Earns. An email was sent to senators with links to details about the committee's timeline and membership. LINKS: Link to the main website for search - (with timeline listed) <http://www.uwsa.edu/presidential-search/>, & Link - To Search Committee list - <http://www.wisconsin.edu/news/2013/r130823.htm>
Also, it was noted that remedial education is under attached and reports and data are being presented during these discussions to show there is no evidence that retention rates are higher for those with it.

- B. Sharon Kipetz & Kathleen Mueske - Student at Risk Response Team & Victim Series Update – Both ladies gave an update on what services are offered in their area, and answered questions from senators.
- C. Kim Nguyen & Brian Ludwell – Intranet & Plone
A Plone presentation was presented and its features highlighted. It was noted that having it be a free open source software is highly beneficial for budget purposes as well as most of campus knows how to run Plone now. The Intranet was also presented with the progress it has made across campus. The current Content Management System review could affect Plone long term, but until anything different is known they will carry on status quo. The resources to faculty and staff from the Learning Technologies department were shared to remind everyone that they are here to assist campus in many technological ways.

II. Minutes of September 17, 2013

MOTION: Moved approval of the September 17, 2013 minutes as amended by McCann/Stojivic. Passed.

III. Old Business – None

IV. New Business

A. Committee Appointments

1. LLC&E Academic Counsel Faculty Rep - Jim Simmons (COLS –Political Science)
2. Search & Screen for Director of Counseling Faculty Rep – Alan Saginak (COEHS)
3. Health & Safety – Sarah Hansen (COLS – Journalism)

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

FS 1314-03 The Faculty Senate approved the following committee appointments: LLC&E Academic Counsel Faculty Rep – Jim Simmons, Search & Screen for Director of Counseling – Alan Saginak, & Health & Safety – Sarah Hansen.

- V. Discussion Item – Remedial Education Policy – Math & English would be most affected if changes are put into effect.

- VI. Items from Members – Senator Sipes asked for clarification on the overload discussion.

VII. Information Item –

- A. Salary Equity Policy Update and Minor Changes
- B. UWO Accountability Report
- C. UW System Accountability Report & Act 32 Report (System Legislated Accountability Report)
Both found at the following link: <http://www.uwsa.edu/opar/accountability/>
- D. Faculty Development Compensation Sub Committee
- E. Academic Freedom Article – Link : <http://www.insidehighered.com/news/2013/09/23/u-kansas-professor-suspended-after-anti-nra-tweet>
- F. University Studies Course List
Found in Google Drive: Under- Faculty Senate/ 2013-2014/ 10-1-2013/USP Materials
- D. Faculty Development Board Sub committee - President Neal & Provost Earns are forming this committee to look into alternative ways for funding to be distributed.

Motion to adjourn by Senator Bentivenga at 4:30 p.m.

Kay Neal,
President

April Dutschek
Recorder