

## FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

December 15, 2009

Present: Beyer, Bryan, Carell, Dempsey, Dishaw, Garrison, Heider, Jones, Kostman, Loewenstein, McCann, Meyerson, Mrotek, Neal, Pontynen, Robson, Roth, Simmons, Wacholtz, Wurzbach

Absent: Bahcall, Gunawardena, Kaltcheva, Lattery, Saginak,

Administrative Representative: None

Academic Staff Representative: Lynn Freeman

Oshkosh Student Association Representative: David Litman - absent

Guests:

### Minutes in Brief

At the December 15, 2009 meeting of the Faculty Senate, reports the Provost Administrative staff and Faculty Reps were presented by President Robson. Issues around Major Fest were presented by Representative Freeman during the PAS report. The Senate approved the Leave of Absence policy memorandum. After extensive discussion the Faculty Senate approved Business 111 (course action routing sheet: Form A) as a new course, but tabled it being accepted as a general education course until our next meeting. Religious Studies 215 course action routing sheet (Form A) was approved. All program action routing sheets (Form C) were approved as recommended by the APC. The Bachelor of Liberal Studies initial program and addendum curriculum reviews were approved. The Salary Adjustment guidelines for 2010-2011 were approved by the Faculty Senate. The following bylaws were approved: Human Kinetics & Health Education, Social Justice Program and the University Honors Program. The College of Business bylaws were tabled pending presentation of the latest approved version addressing concerns around the issues of voting by the College membership. In items from members the issue of re-examination of the language of the University's mission was noted and Senator Neal voiced concern about the lateness of the official notification regarding the recent closure of the University due to inclement weather.

President Robson called to order at 3:12 p.m.

### I. State of the University

#### A. Reports

1. SAS (Freeman) – None
2. OSA (Litman) – absent
3. PAS (Robson) –(1) HLC visit went well, The Doctorate of Nursing was approved, (2) Off-site programs were also approved with some suggestions for improvement. One area that needs to be addressed is assessment. It was noted that this falls under the purview of the academic department and its faculty. Faculty have full curricular control of the off-site programs (3) Major Fest invitations have gone out, including being sent to those from 2 year colleges. Time frame for meetings will be changed to 10-11:00 and 2-3:30. Provost has suggested that it would be nice to have Faculty on the Major Fest planning committee. Anyone interested in helping out that day should contact Lynn Freeman. (4) Individual course transfer issues between the two year colleges and the University continues to be a problem. A Task Force is being formed to look into this issue.

4. Faculty Reps (Robson) - (1) There were discussions on furloughs and collective bargaining; (2) The issue of transitioning into retirement has been addressed by the Fringe Benefits Advisory Council; (3) A presentation on Inclusive Excellence was given, documents can be found on our webpage under documents; (4) The Chancellor of the Colleges and Extension has taken a job outside the system. System is hemorrhaging, administrators not to mention faculty; (5) Systems concerns with the CORE program were discussed; (6) Planning for the next biennium's budget is in its initial stage; (7) President Reilly's gave a presentation on how the growth agenda can be used to leverage more resources for the campus (the materials are in your packet); (8) A Compensation Task Force of faculty, staff and community leaders is being formed.

II. Minutes of December 1, 2009

*MOTION: Moved approval by McCann/Wurzbach.. Approved.*

III. Old Business

A. Leave of Absence Policy

*MOTION: Moved approval of the recommendations to System's draft leave of absence policy as written in memo. Wacholtz/Kostman. Passed.*

**FS0910-13 The Faculty Senate approved the recommendations to System's Leave of Absence Policy.**

IV. New Business

A. APC [p 129]

Course Action Routing Sheet (Form A)

1. COB: Business 111, Creating the Digital Future – Approval of General Education/Optional Basic Knowledge and Skills [pp 174-182]
2. COLS: Religious Studies 215, Judaism, Approval of General Education/Ethnic Studies [pp 183-191]

*MOTION: Moved to approve APC (Form A) items 1-2 by Neal/Wurzbach.*

*Motion to divide COB: Business 111. Divided.*

*Discussion ensued.*

*MOTION: Moved to approve APC (Form A) item 1, Business 111, as a new course and tabled approval for general education status until next Senate meeting. Simmons/ Jones. Passed with 2 abstentions.*

*Moved approval of APC (Form A) item 2. (Neal/Kostman). Passed.*

*(Note: to have Religious Studies clean up their course description)*

**FS0910-14 The Faculty Senate approved the following APC items: COB- Business 111 – As new course, not for General Education; COLS – Religious Studies 215, Approval of General/Ethnic Studies.**

Program Action Routing Sheets (Form C)

1. COEHS: Early Childhood-Adolescence (PK-12) ESL and Elementary Education (MC-EA, 1-8) – Proposed Field Experiences for Students Selecting Double Majors

2. COEHS: ESL and Elementary Education (EC-MC PK-6) – Proposed Field Experiences for Students Selecting Double Majors.
3. COEHS: Elementary Education and Emphases within Major: Early childhood-Middle Childhood Licensure and Middle Childhood-Early Adolescence Licensures – Proposed Field Experiences for Students Selecting Double Majors.
4. COEHS: ESL and Elementary Education (EC-MC, PK-6) and Bilingual Spanish or Bilingual Hmong minors – Proposed Field Experiences for Students Selecting Double Majors.
5. COEHS: ESL, Early Childhood Adolescence (PK-12) and Elementary Education (MC-EA, 1-8) and Bilingual Spanish or Bilingual Hmong minors – Proposed Field Experiences for Students Selecting Double Majors.
6. COLS: Environmental Studies Major – Make a stand-alone major.
7. COLS: Environmental Studies Major – New Environmental Policy and Values Emphasis.
8. COLS: Environmental Studies Major – New Environmental Science Emphasis.
9. COLS: Sociology Major – Add Interdisciplinary Studies 209, Professional Skills in Social Sciences, to the list of required courses. Increase the number of credits required for the major to 38.
10. CON: Accelerated Nursing – Revise core requirements.

*MOTION: Moved to approve APC (Form C) items 1-10 (Dishaw/Roth).  
Motion to divide Environmental Studies (items 6 – 8) (Neal). Divided.*

*MOTION: Moved to approve APC (Form A) items 1-5, 9-10 (Dishaw/Roth). Passed with two no votes.*

**FS0910-15 The Faculty Senate approved the following APC items: COEHS – Early Childhood Childhood-Abselescence & Elementary; COEHS – ESL & Elementary Education; COEHS – Elementary Education and Emphasis within Major; COEHS – ESL and Elementary Education (EC-MC, PK-6) and Bilingual Spanish or Bilingual Hmong minors; COEHS – ESL, Early Childhood Adolescence (PK-12)and Elementary Education and Bilingual Hmong minors; COLS – Sociology Major; CON – Accelerated Nursing.**

*MOTION: Moved to approve APC (Form C) items 6-8 (Kostman/Neal). Passed.*

**FS0910-16 The Faculty Senate approved COLS – Environmental Studies Major – Make a stand-alone major; COLS -Environmental Studies Major – New Environmental Policy and Values Emphasis; COLS – Environmental Studies Majors – New Environmental Science Emphasis.**

**B. Program Review**

1. Addendum to Bachelor of Liberal Studies
  - A. Additional Bachelor of Liberal Studies Curriculum Review
  - B. Initial APC Program Review

*MOTION: Moved to approve the Bachelor of Liberal Studies Program Review. (Jones/Roth). Passed with 4 abstentions*

**FS0910-17 The Faculty Senate approved the Bachelor of Liberal Studies Program Review.**

D. Salary Adjustment Guidelines (2010-2011)

*MOTION: Moved to approve Salary adjustment guidelines (Mrotek/Kostman). Passed.*

**FS0910-18 The Faculty Senate approved the Salary Adjustment Guideline for 2010-2011.**

E. Bylaws

- A. College of Business
- B. Human Kinetics & Health Education
- C. Social Justice Program
- D. University Honors Program

*MOTION: Moved to approve Bylaws. (Dishaw/McCann).*

*Motion to divide College of Business Bylaws.(Wacholtz). Divided.*

*MOTION: Moved approval of other Human Kinetics and Health Education, Social Justice and University Honors Program (B-D moved by Dishaw/Kostman). Passed.*

**FS0910-19 The Faculty Senate approved the bylaws for the following programs: Human Kinetics & Health Education, Social Justice Program, & University Honors Program.**

*MOTION: Moved to table COB Bylaws until revised version is received with concerns about Article 5, section 5.03 addressed. Wacholtz/Roth. Passed with 1 abstention*

V. Items from Members

1. We will be updating our mission statement so it can be approved at the October Board of Regents meeting in Oshkosh.
2. Concerns about the late notice of cancelations due to weather were expressed.

The meeting adjourned at 4:58 p.m.

Bill Wacholtz  
Past-president

April Dutschek  
Recorder.