

**FACULTY SENATE MINUTES**  
**September 22, 2020**

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

Excused: Dilkes, Matson

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

**Minutes in Brief**

At the September 22, 2020 meeting of the Faculty Senate, the report of the Senate of Academic Staff, OSA, and Access Campus was given, and the minutes of the May 26, 2020 meeting were approved. Assistant Vice Chancellor/Executive Director for Online and Continuing Education Michael Bartlett was introduced and shared his goals. Provost Koker gave an update on Academic Planning. The Presidents Report covered the Provost's Administrative Staff, Chancellor's Administrative Staff, and Shared Governance Staff updates. The meeting adjourned at 4:48 p.m.

President Scribner called the meeting to order at 3:12 p.m.

**I. Welcome to newly elected Senators and Introductions**

COEHS: Nari Kim & Michael Fonkem

CON: Kathleen Wren

COLS-Humanities: Tony Palmeri and Robert Wagoner

COLS-Math Science: Carrie Tirel & Teresa Weglarz

COLS-FAPA: Devin Otto

Introductions were made from all Senators

- II. Introduction and Welcome - Assistant Vice Chancellor/Executive Director for OCE, Michael Bartlett –  
AVC Bartlett shared his background, previous positions, experiences, journey that lead him to UWO, and goals in this new role. His passion for using technology to enhance the learning experience, and ways to improve higher education with creative and innovative ways were shared.
- III. Academic Planning – Provost Koker  
Provost noted his appreciation to Senators for their willingness to serve in shared governance activities, as shared governance is more important than ever as we move forward and navigate into the future. The Academic Program Planning Process has been making progress for the past year. We have enlisted the services of Gray Associates to assist us. Gray Associates is conducting market research that will inform an initial workshop to be held on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. The workshop is a discussion of the data in light of our mission, vision, and values to make preliminary that will produce preliminary assessments of our program array and help us identify and think collectively possible new programs as well as areas where we may want to make additional investments. Provost stressed that the workshop is the first step of a comprehensive planning process.
- IV. State of the University

- a. Senate of Academic Staff (Smolinski) – No report, they have not had their first meeting yet.
- b. University Staff Senate (TBD) – No Report
- c. OSA (Kaldunski) – Highlights included: Their first meeting was last week. They had introductions, policy review, and got settled in.
- d. Access Campus (Tirel) Highlights included: They had their first Collegium meeting, elections were held, and the importance of communication was shared.

V. Minutes of May 26, 2020

The May 26, 2020 minutes stand approved as distributed.

VI. Unfinished Business – None

VII. New Business/Action Items

A. Committee Appointments:

1. IRB – Access Campus Seat-Kristi Wilkum; COEHS Seat-Thomas Fischer; Alternates-Chris Groves, Larry Herzberg, & Victoria Beck
2. USP - Math/Science seat: Linda Eroh; Access Campus seat: Kimberly Dirlam-Schatz

**MOTION: Loewenstein/Lancaster moved to approve the committee appointments. 1 Abstention, Passed**

**FS 2021-01 The Faculty Senate approved the following committee appointments: IRB-Kristi Wilkum, Thomas Fischer, and alternates: Chris Groves, Larry Herzberg, & Victoria Beck; USP-Linda Eroh and Kimberly Dirlam-Schatz.**

3. Faculty Senate Committees: Senator vacancies
  - i. APC –Senator Wren volunteered
  - ii. Personnel Policies - Senator Stojilovic volunteered
  - iii. Constitution & Bylaws Committee – Senator Chrobak volunteered

**MOTION: Jurmu/Lancaster moved to approve the Faculty Senate committee appointments. Passed Unanimously**

**FS 2021-02 The Faculty Senate approved the following Faculty Senate committee appointments: APC – Kathleen Wren; Personnel Policies Committee – Nenad Stojilovic; Constitution & Bylaws – Quin Chrobak.**

B. APC -Forms C [*In One Drive for Senators*]

1. COB: ECON -Remove requirement to complete an additional minor or major in BA/BS in Economic Major
2. COB: ECON -Remove competency requirement for using qualified stats course to substitute for Econ 210 in Business Analytics Certificate.
3. OCE: Correct the number of required credits for the BLS-OA Degree.
4. COLS: Human Services Leadership -Revising undergraduate certificate courses and credit requirements

**MOTION: Panske/Cortes moved to approve the Forms C. 1 Abstention, Passed**

**FS 2021-03 The Faculty Senate approved the following Forms C: (1) COB: ECON - Remove requirement to complete an additional minor or major in BA/BS in Economic Major; (2) COB: ECON -Remove competency requirement for using qualified stats course to substitute for Econ 210 in Business Analytics Certificate; (3) OCE: Correct the number of required credits for the BLS-OA Degree; (4) COLS: Human Services Leadership -Revising undergraduate certificate courses and credit requirements.**

- C. Ethnic Studies Definition (from USP Committee)  
Senators discussed the proposed language and suggestions were made leading to a request for editing to come back at a future Senate meeting.

VIII. Discussion Items

- A. Proposed Changes to UW Oshkosh Faculty and Academic Staff Handbook Updates related to Assessment were shared by AVC Hill; there were no questions raised.

IX. Committee Reports –

- A. Improvement of Instruction Committee – The Committee has been working on processes related to the new SOS instrument and administration, and is consulting with the SOS implementation team.

X. Information Items

- A. Declaration of Vacancy for Senate Seat – Math/Science Seat. Senator Bentivenga stepped down from Senate and a special election will be held.
- B. Handbook Change – Layoff Policy- The policy has been approved and the handbook will be updated.

XI. Items from Members

XII. President's Report

- A. Chancellor's Administrative Staff – Updates included: HR, furlough, leave options, and COVID.
- B. Provost's Administrative Staff – Updates included: Enrollment numbers and academic program planning.
- C. System Shared Governance Meeting – TTC will begin meeting again, and Interim System President Thompson's lobbying efforts on behalf the US System to reduce the level of GPR cuts.

**MOTION: Lancaster/Stojilovic moved to adjourn at 4:48 p.m.**

April Dutschek,  
Recorder