

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
March 30, 2021

Present: Chrobak, Cortes, Cotti, Dilkes, Fuller, Heath, Herzberg, Kim, Krueger, Lancaster, Loewenstein, Luedke, Manning, Matson, Otto, Palmeri, Panske, Scribner, Short-Meyerson, Stuart, Szydlak, Tirel, Wagoner, Weglarz, Wren

Excused: Jurmu, Stojilovic

Absent: Fonkem

Administration Representative:	John Koker
Senate of Academic Staff Representative:	Laura Smolinski
University Staff Senate Representative:	Lisa Goetsch - excused
Oshkosh Student Association Representative:	Austin Hammond
Access Campus Report:	Michael Jurmu/Carrie Tirel/Teresa Weglarz

Minutes in Brief

At the March 30, 2021 meeting of the Faculty Senate, reports of the Senate of Academic Staff, OSA, and Access Campus were given, and the minutes of the March 9, 2021 meeting were approved. The discussion item was about Project Distance Education. Action items included APC Forms C; appointments to the Elections Committee; and the Computer Science Department bylaws. President Scribner provided updates on the most recent meetings of the Conference on Shared Governance and UW System Shared Governance. The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

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

- I. State of the University
 - A. Senate of Academic Staff (Smolinski) – At their last meeting, they discussed a few OSA resolutions, had a Strategic Planning update, made appointments to the Conference Committee, and decided to continue meeting virtually next year.
 - B. University Staff Senate (Goetsch) – No report
 - C. OSA (Hammond) – At their last meeting, they approved their election results, and OSA resolutions (Technology usage in the classroom, student involvement in campus hires related to diversity and inclusivity, and back pay for Cabinet members). Their Food Drive and Clothes Drive both went well. The Lt. Governor spoke at the last meeting. During the month of April, OSA will be reviewing their Mission and Vision Statement.
 - D. Access Campus (Jurmu/Tirel/Weglarz)
 1. Fond du Lac: No Report
 2. Fox Cities: No Report
- II. Minutes of March 9, 2021
The March 9, 2021 minutes stand approved as amended.
- III. Unfinished Business – None
- IV. Discussion Items
Project Distance Education (DE+) – Provost Koker shared that Provosts across UW System have seen a presentation by the UWS Leadership Team for DE+. The project has been billed as building on the WI Idea and the centralized branded UW System online programming of UW Extended Campus to expand opportunities for adult learners in Wisconsin and the Midwest. The current proposal from UW System is skeletal. Chancellors and Provosts around the system are sharing feedback with UW

System. UWO has advocated for greater inclusion and feedback from UW System campus leadership and shared governance in the development of UW System online programming to foster greater understanding about existing campus programs, collaborative programs, and revenue effects. President Scribner noted that Faculty Representatives discussed the DE+ proposal and shared concerns over curriculum control and the lack of campus experts and shared governance inclusion. These concerns will be shared with the Board of Regents prior to the April Board of Regents meeting.

V. New Business/Action Items

A. Elections Committee –

Senators Lancaster, Stuart, & Wren volunteered to serve on the Elections Committee.

MOTION: Heath/Panske moved to approve the following Senators to serve on the Elections Committee: Senators Lancaster, Stuart, & Wren. 19 Yes. Passed

FS 2021-29 The Faculty Senate approved the following senators to serve on the Elections Committee: Senators Lancaster, Stuart, & Wren.

B. Computer Science Department Bylaws

MOTION: Szydluk/Chrobak moved to approve the Computer Science Department bylaws. 21 Yes. Passed

FS 2021-30 The Faculty Senate approved the Computer Science bylaws.

C. Handbook Request – LGBTQ+ Committee Updates

MOTION: Tirel/Cortes moved to approve the Handbook Request – LGBTQ+ Committee Updates.

MOTION: Scribner/Stuart moved to table (Information to request: Clarification of the full committee name and consistency throughout the document). 20 YES. Passed. – MOTION TABLED

D. APC Forms C

1. COB: ACCT 410 – add to COB CE Course requirement
2. COB: FinBusLaw – Grad Cert. in Sust.Health & Wellness Management
3. COB: FinBusLaw – Certificate in Bioinformatics
4. COB: Info Sys – Cybersecurity Minor
5. COEHS: Spec Ed. – Director of Spec Ed & Pupil Services Certificate
6. COEHS: Spec Ed. – MSE, Director of Sped Ed & Pupil Services revision
7. COLS: Biology – Change to GRE requirement, Appl. Essay & Appl. Deadlines

MOTION: Heath/Cotti moved to approve the Forms C from APC. 23 Yes. Passed

FS 2021-31 The Faculty Senate approved the following APC Forms C: (1) COB: ACCT 410 – add to COB CE Course requirement; (2) COB: FinBusLaw – Grad Cert. in Sust.Health & Wellness Management; (3) COB: FinBusLaw – Certificate in Bioinformatics; (4) COB: Info Sys – Cybersecurity Minor; (5) COEHS: Spec Ed. – Director of Spec Ed & Pupil Services Certificate; (6) COEHS: Spec Ed.- MSE- Director of Sped Ed & Pupil Services revision; (7) COLS: Biology – Change to GRE requirement, Appl. Essay & Appl. Deadlines.

VI. Committee Reports

- A. Chairs of Senate committees – President Scribner reported that she has met with Faculty Senate Committee chairs and that the Committee on Committee will be sending out a survey soon to All-University Committee chairs to gather feedback.
- B. Conference Committee – President Scribner reported that the committee has had their first meeting and will be providing a draft back to the Executive Committee on April 9.

VII. Information Items

- A. Elections: Primary elections will be April 1st, & April 2nd
Final elections will be April 8th & 9th
- B. Meetings for next year – Senate discussed the pros and cons to virtual vs. in-person meetings for next year. Virtual is more convenient; we have much better discussions in this size group during in-person meetings. The Senate will hold the remainder of their meeting for the semester via Microsoft Teams instead of Collaborate Ultra. When campus first went virtual Collaborate Ultra had a better platform, but Teams has made some improvements and Senate would like to try using it. We will make a decision about how to conduct business in 2021-2022 at our last meeting of the semester.

VIII. Items from Members

- A. Senator Cotti reminded everyone to read through the recent email from Chief Leibold regarding COVID updates. In particular to note, that students, and anyone 16 years of age and older, are now all eligible to sign up for the vaccine.

IX. President's Report – was emailed.

- A. Conference on Shared Governance – Strategic Planning and the Conference Committee task were discussed.
- B. UW System Shared Governance Meeting – The meeting was primary discussion dominated by DE+.

MOTION: Lancaster moved to adjourn at 4:00 p.m. Passed

April Dutscheck,
Recorder