

**Washburn University
Meeting of the Faculty Senate
May 4, 2015
3:00 PM – Kansas Room, Memorial Union**

PRESENT: Alexander (Ryan), Ball, Dick, Frank, Friesen, Jackson, Kwak, Lunte, Mapp, McConnell-Farmer, Modellmog, Palbicke, Pembroke, Petersen, Routsong, Russell, Sanchez, Schbley, Schmidt, Schnoebelen, Scofield, Smith, Stacey, Stevens, Sun, Wisneski

ABSENT: Berry, Chamberlain, Childers, Florea, Francis, Mapp, McHenry, Perret, Rubenstein, Sadikot, Sourgens, Stevenson, Treinen, Weiner

GUESTS/NEW SENATORS: Alexander (Rebecca), Farwell, Garritano, Haverty, Leung, Mansfield, Memmer, Steinroetter, Stoller, White, Wohl, Worsley, Zwikstra

- I. President Ball called the meeting to order at 3:02pm.

- II. Special Presentation/Discussion: Floyd Davenport (CIO/Director of ITS) will discuss and answer questions regarding technology issues:
 - Davenport passed around a handout with key points about recent or upcoming issues and upgrades.
 - Davenport started by discussing roaming profiles. He said that roaming profiles are beneficial, but they sacrifice performance (slower logins, etc.). SO he would like to remove these over time.
 - Modellmog asked if there were differences by classrooms or is it an age of the computer issue. He answered that the first time you login in any room for the first time, that it will take a bit longer. He also admitted that it could be an age issue, but Haverty noted that upgrades happen on a regular basis.
 - They may look in to saving to shared drives on classroom computers rather than saving things on desktops (which can slow down performance)—or perhaps something through D2L.
 - Schmidt wondered if the computers would be wiped overnight. Haverty said that they would not be doing this. Davenport added that they have to figure out how to implement this and they'll devise a communication plan about it ASAP.
 - Modellmog wondered if there was a time limit that should cause a response or request to ITS. Haverty responded that logins should happen in just a couple of minutes. If it's taking 10-15 minutes or so then there is a problem and a message should be sent.
 - Petersen wondered about what a student will see if they have to change computers. Haverty said that they could save them to My Documents. They may consider other options for desktop saving for (at least) library or computer lab computers).

- He encouraged people to subscribe to the IT blog.
- If you have specific technologies that you're interested in, engage the Faculty IT Advisory Council (FITAC) and/or work with Margret Wood and C-TEL.
- Petersen asked about the model classrooms; as we move forward and talk about these, what's the technology strategic plan and timeline for moving forward? Davenport said that there really isn't one but that we should move forward to try to develop one.
- Modellmog asked about the Wi-Fi connectivity on campus—she's heard that it's spotty from students. Davenport said that the situation is being monitored. We put thousands every year into continuously upgrade the network in different areas (Henderson was just done for approximately \$60,000). It's continuously monitored.
- The new Banner from D2L transfer for grades is working pretty well so far, but the F grade that requires attendance is still somewhat difficult to report since it requires a last date of attendance. This transfer has been opened up to everyone.
- Reminder: On 5/21 and 5/22, D2L will be down for maintenance.

III. The Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting of April 20, 2015 were approved.

IV. President's Opening Remarks: NONE

V. Report from the Faculty Representative to the Board of Regents:

- Budget and finance committee meeting: Faculty salary analysis for FY14: the summary stated, the average salary for the top 3 ranks was 6.4% lower than comparable universities (a slight improvement from a year earlier when we were 6.5% below the average). There was much verbal support for bringing this average up. The enrolment report was also presented (summaries are available on the actual minutes with President Ball will be happy to forward to anyone who is interested). Enrollment is down from fall 2013. The Tuition and fees analysis revealed that our increase of 4.6 % from 2013 to 2014 ranked Washburn in the middle of the KS institutions and below average.
- General Board meeting: The Board approved 6 new sports programs including Men's Track and Field. Contracts for building improvements and maintenance were also approved. The Vision 2022 was presented as a draft of the strategic plan.

VI. VPAA Update—Dr. Randy Pembroke:

- Thanks to all of you who attended the General Faculty meeting.
- Spoke to the president this morning; we should have a pre-approval for Regents vote items so that we can proceed on them for time-sensitive items approved on April 30th by General Faculty.

- Please plan on attending the 150th commencement exercises on May 16, 2015.
- Please fill out Margaret Wood's survey regarding C-TEL (if you have been involved in it or you might want to be involved with it in the future).
- We will start keeping track of minors (with the purchase of DegreeWorks). On the local level, this will have to be discussed how to indicate that people are minors.
 - Schmidt asked if the software would be able to track pre-professional programs (pre-law, pre-med, etc.). Pembroke said these questions need to be brought up so that we can ask Davenport. If you have items like this, send a note to Davenport and CC Pembroke on it.
- Vision 2022: We developed action items in 2012 and there was confusion between this and the then-current strategic plan. In the (Vision 2022) Academic committee, we included items from the old strategic plan (or confirmed that we didn't want to proceed with the item). So the Vision includes almost all of the unfinished items from the old strategic plan. Vision 2022 will likely be added to so it can evolve to include items that people want to focus on.
 - Schmidt asked how we will engage in shared faculty governance moving forward with Vision 2022. Pembroke said that to have faculty involved in strategic planning assumes that there will be new strategic planning in the future. He encourages faculty to read Vision 2022 and see where it could be added to or if there are ideas that aren't represented and then communicate these ideas to administration. Can these be included in Vision 2022 or do we need a new approach or plan? The important thing is that we uphold the goals of the institution and hold ourselves accountable to them (and for now, that's Vision 2022).

VII. Faculty Senate Committee Reports: NONE

VIII. University Committee Reports

- The Honors Advisory Board minutes from April 1, 2015 were received.
- The Library Committee minutes from April 21, 2015 were received.

IX. Old Business: NONE

X. New Business: NONE

XI. Special Orders:

- Welcome to our new senators!
- Election of Faculty Senate Officers for 2015-2016
 - President: Jennifer Ball was re-elected
 - Vice President: Linsey Modellmog was elected.
 - Secretary: Jim Schnoebelen was re-elected.
 - Parliamentarian: Dan Petersen was elected.

XII. Information Items: NONE

XIII. Discussion Items: NONE

XIV. Announcements:

- **Ball noted that we will need representation on the Executive Committee and on the various committees. She will be setting these (tentatively) and then passing a list of them around. Nothing will be set in stone until fall.**
- **Schmidt announced that April 29, 2016 is the date for the 2016 Apeiron.**

XV. President Ball adjourned the meeting at 4:15pm.