Faculty Senate Washburn University

Minutes of October 24, 2005 Meeting Kansas Room, Memorial Union

- Present: Baker, Borden, Boyd, Camarda, Carpenter, Cassell, Chorba, Concannon, Dinkel, Decker (visitor), Donner, Evans, Forbach (visitor), Godman, Jacobs (President), Khan, Liang, Lockwood, Manske, Martin, McGuire, Meador, Munzer (visitor), Nobo, Ockree, Palmer, Patzel, Pownell, Renn-Scanlan, Roach, Russell, C. Schmidt, S. Schmidt, L. Smith, Wasserstein
- I. The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:32 PM.
- II. The minutes of the October 10th, 2005 Faculty Senate meeting were approved.
- III. The President's Report was given.
 - A. The President reported that there is no established time limit for meetings of the Faculty Senate. He noted that each meeting ends when a motion is made to adjourn and that motion is passed.
 - B. It was moved and seconded to adjourn the Faculty Senate General meetings at 5 PM. The motion passed.
- IV. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents There was no report.
- V. Faculty Senate Committee Reports.
 - A. Faculty Affairs Committee (FAC): The FAC proposed that, "The FAC shall appoint members of the Academic Sabbatical Committee (ASC). The FAC shall request each School and Division of College to nominate a member of their School/Division faculty to be appointed to the ASC. The FAC shall consider all nominations and select an appropriate ASC committee. The FAC shall appoint the chair of the ASC from among its own members." The Faculty Senate approved the proposal.
 - B. Academic Affairs Committee (AAC): Jorge Nobo was elected chair and Bill Roach was elected Secretary of the AAC. It was mentioned that the AAC had approved the proposal for program changes to the Anthropology major, the Pure Mathematics track in the Math major, and the Math for Secondary Teaching track in the Math major. The Committee moved and seconded to recommend_that the Faculty Senate form an ad hoc and temporary Academic Integrity Committee for a two-year term. Bill Roach has emailed the proposal for General Education Reform to the entire faculty body. Any comments, concerns, or questions should be directed to Bill Roach.
 - C. Electoral Committee (EC): It was noted that Rebecca Meador was elected chair and Regina Cassell was elected Secretary.
- VI. University Committee Minutes There were no minutes.

VII. Old Business.

- A. The motion to recommend the establishment of a Sweet Summer Sabbatical Committee was passed.
- B. The proposal to amend item number 3, of page 1, of the proposal for The Transformational Experience (TE) Graduation Requirement failed.
- C. A motion was made to amend the Leadership Transformational Experience to read "1) complete with a grade of "C" or better at least 3 semester hours of college coursework consisting of an academic study of leadership (e.g., LE100, NU479 or any other course, provided that the unit offering the course endorses it as an academic study of leadership); and 2) serve in one or more functional leadership roles for a minimum of 150 hours." The aforementioned phrase would appear immediately following the purpose description of the Leadership TE. The motion passed.
- D. The amendment_to begin the TE as optional program in the Fall of 2006 and as a university requirement beginning in the Fall of 2008 failed. The original motion to approve the TE was passed as amended on 10/10 and 10/24.
- E. Discussion was given to the implementation plan of the TE. VPAA Wasserstein announced that he is willing to provide monthly progress reports of the implementation. The following motion was passed: "That the Implementation Plan for the TE come before the Faculty Senate for approval." The maker of the motion agreed that this can be satisfied by (1) presenting to the Faculty Senate the minutes of the implementation committee, and (2) allowing the Faculty Senate to take any appropriate action.

VIII.. New Business.

A. Discussion was briefly given to the proposed Modification of the Final Exam Schedule. The motion to close the first reading and to treat this issue as Old Business at the next Faculty Senate meeting was approved.

IX.The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Mike Russell, Secretary to the Faculty Senate