

Washburn University
Meeting of the Faculty Senate

April 13, 2009
3:30 PM Kansas Room, Memorial Union

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting of March 23, 2009. (pp. 2-4).
- III. President's Opening Remarks.
- IV. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents.
- V. Faculty Senate Committee Reports.
- VI. University Committee Minutes.
 - A. Addendum to the Curriculum Development Grant Committee minutes of Oct. 21, 2008 (pg. 5).
 - B. Minutes from the Faculty Grants Committee of March 4, 2009 (pp. 6-7).
- VII. Old Business.
 - A. Transfer of International Baccalaureate Coursework (Action Item 09-07) (pg. 8).
 - B. The vote of no confidence in Mike Gunter (Action Item 09-01 revised). (pg. 9)
 - 1) Paper ballot (pg. 10)
 - C. College of Arts and Sciences Academic Affairs Committee proposal (Action Item 09-03). (pg. 11)
 - D. Notification of Infraction—Academic Impropriety Form (Action Item 09-06). (pp. 12-13)
- VIII. New Business.
- IX. Information Items.
- X. Discussion Items.
- XI. Announcements.
- XII. Adjournment.

**Faculty Senate
Washburn University**

*Minutes of March 23, 2009
Kansas Room, Memorial Union*

Present: Arterburn, Berry, Bowen (VPAA), Byrne, Camarda, Concannon, Croucher, Duncan, Jackson, Jacobs, Kaufman, Kerchner, Khan, Lunte, Manske, Melick, Porta, Prasch (President), Ray, Russell, C. Schmidt, S. Schmidt, Sharafy, Shipley, Sidlinger, Sullivan, Unruh, Walker, Wunder

- I. The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:31 PM.
- II. The minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting of March 9, 2009 were approved.
- III. President's Opening Remarks.
 - A. Before his opening comments, Prasch ceded the floor to Russ Jacobs, Chair of the Electoral Committee. Jacobs reported that 4 nominees are on the ballot for At-Large senator and said the candidate bios were on the FS website and that the ballot would go out no later than April 6. Jacobs asked whether the senators wanted to keep with a traditional paper ballot or move to an electronic one. Senators debated the pros and cons of each method and decided to keep the paper ballot, at least for the short term.
 - B. Prasch summarized the recent events regarding the vote of no confidence in Mike Gunter. He stated that since Gunter had told Wanda Hill that he wanted to attend the meeting the day of the vote and that since he could not attend the one on March 23, that the Executive Committee voted to give him one last postponement. Prasch emphasized that he did not agree with Kenneth Hackler's policy regarding the language he proposed be changed in Action Item 09-01, but that that was the language the Senate would be voting on at the March 23rd meeting. He stated that Gunter had been invited to the April 13th meeting and declared the Senate would hold the vote of no confidence regardless.
 - C. Prasch reported that some of the language on the FS website had been tampered with, but stated that he agreed to some of the changes Hackler demanded, including the removal of the appendix. Bowen emphasized that the changes were made to protect the faculty and Prasch stated that the faculty would fight any attempt to remove the revised language of action item 09-01 that Hackler approved.
- IV. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents.

The President reported that the BOR met March 20 and its main business was tenure and promotion and the extension of Chartwell's dining services contract for another ten years. He stated that at the financial committee meeting, members viewed Wanda Hill's presentation that she gave at the Town Hall meetings. Prasch then emphasized the fact that the Board did not include on its agenda the action item to reorganize the Academic Affairs Committee that

was passed at January's General Faculty meeting. He discussed the various implications, including the Executive Committee reestablishing membership this semester of the AAC.

V. Faculty Senate Committee Reports.
There were none.

VI. University Committee Minutes.

A. The minutes from the International Education Committee meeting of March 5, 2009 were accepted.

B. The Executive Summary of the Academic Integrity Committee was accepted.

VII. Old Business.

A. Vote of no confidence in Mike Gunter as head of Information Systems and Services (ISS) (Action Item 09-01).

1)Prasch gave the background on the language changes requested by Ken Hackler (reference to the appendix was eliminated and the terms "stonewalling" and "dishonesty" were replaced with "has lost the trust of the faculty"). A motion was made to amend Action Item 09-01 and it was seconded.

2)Senators from the Law School were asked to comment on the language of the action item since some senators wondered whether the Senate needed some provisions from a lawyer other than the university attorney. It was agreed that the Senate did not. Various senators then proposed language changes and once a consensus on the language was agreed upon, a vote was called to pass the action item as amended. The action item passed as amended.

3) Prasch then suggested that the senate set provisions for the vote. The following stipulations were agreed upon by the Senate in regard to the vote of no confidence:

a) Prasch said that he would request that a written response from Gunter to the motion to be delivered to Courtney Sullivan, FS secretary, in time to be included with that agenda, that is, by April 6.

b) The Senate decided to allow during the April 13 meeting time (for a maximum of 30 minutes) for Gunter to address the assembly. (No limit on the length of Gunter's written response to the motion was set).

c) It was agreed that if Gunter attended the meeting, that discussion would follow his presentation and could include questions directed to him.

d) It was agreed that the vote would be carried out at the April 13th meeting and that there would be no further delays of final action on these issues.

e) The vote will be carried out by paper ballot and the tally recorded in the Senate minutes.

B. Prasch suggested that the College of Arts and Sciences Academic Affairs Committee proposal (Action Item 09-03) be pushed back to the next Senate meeting because no one from the School of Nursing was able to attend the meeting and therefore could not give input on the item. Senators agreed that the action item be pushed back to the April 13 meeting.

VIII. New Business.

A. Karen Ray, Chair of the Academic Integrity Committee, gave the background on Notification of Infraction—Academic Impropriety Form (Action Item 09-06), stating

the AIC recommended the university implement the form since there are currently no recording mechanisms for academic impropriety at WU. VPAA Bowen stated that she feels strongly that such a measure is needed. Some senators expressed concern that with the form comes a policy which has not yet been voted upon by the Senate. Prash suggested implementation language and it was decided to eliminate the suggestion to record the infraction in a registry. The motion made to close at first reading passed.

IX. Information Items.

X. Discussion Items.

A. Bowen announced that the VPAA's office is interest in getting feedback from faculty about taking roll at the end of the first week of classes, a retention strategy designed to focus early attention on students who have already disappeared from class by that point.

B. The VPAA is also interested in assembling faculty to participate in the strategic planning process at Washburn. These do not have to be members of the faculty senate, but Dr. Bowen would like the Senate to serve as something of a clearinghouse for the matter. Senators were asked to start making lists of colleagues who would be willing to serve. The Senate will take up the matter in the near future.

XIII. Announcements. There were none.

XIV. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 5:02 PM.

CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT GRANTS COMMITTEE

March 4, 2009

ADDENDUM TO MINUTES OF 10/21/09

John Hunter and Tony Naylor, Professor and Associate Professor in Theatre have applied for a Curriculum Development Grant. This is the first time in over 10 years they have been able to teach together and would like to bring the curriculum for all tech design classes up to national standards in the area of current trends in design, equipment development and accessories products associated within the field.

When checking into workshops and conferences to assist in this endeavor they found the US Institute of Theatre Technology Conference. Unfortunately, this all happened after the deadline to apply for a Curriculum Development Grant for FY2009.

Since there were funds remaining, they were allowed to submit an application. This application was approved in the amount of \$1,705.

With this awarding, a balance of \$328 remains.

MINUTES
FACULTY GRANTS COMMITTEE
March 4, 2009

Those in attendance:

Nancy Tate, Chair
Pat Munzer
Kevin Charlwood
Kelley Weber
Lori McMillian

Sent Comments:
Bob Kercher
Maryellen McBride

Nancy thanked everyone for coming. This is the third and final meeting to award funds for the fiscal year FY2009. The balance of the funds remaining is \$8,078. The following is a summary of the applications and the awarding that was decided.

ALTUS: Requested \$500 to attend writing therapy workshop, Transformational Language Arts.
Application Approved.

GAMBOA: Requested \$500 to participate in the 2009 Conductor's Development Program with the Trans-Atlantic Concert Connections.
Application Approved.

KAUFMAN: Requested \$500 to attend a 3-day academic training workshop, Acceptance and commitment Therapy: Introduction and Skill-building..
Application Approved.

LANTER: Requested \$500 to attend the 43rd annual National Council on Education for the Ceramic Arts Conference, From Dawn to Digital.
Application Approved.

NAYLOR: Requested \$500 to attend the US Institute of Theatre Technology Conference.
Application Approved

PERRET: Requested \$500 to attend the Foundation in Arts Theory, and Education biennial conference, Confluence 2009.
Application Approved.

RAICHEVA-STOVER: Requested \$105 to attend the 1-day TechNet conference.
Application Approved.

SCHMIDT: Requested \$500 to attend a National Science Foundation workshop on Computational and Theoretical Chemistry.

Application Approved.

WEBER: Requested \$500 to attend and present at Inspiration, Innovation, Celebration:
An Entrepreneurial Conference for Librarians.
Application Approved.

After awarding \$4,105, there is a remaining balance of \$3,973.

Faculty Senate Action Item

Date: 9 February 2009

Number: 09-07

Subject: Transfer of International Baccalaureate Coursework

Description:

No catalogue language currently exists on the University's policy concerning the transfer of International Baccalaureate Coursework. The Academic Affairs Committee discussed the need to implement such a program to maintain competitiveness (all the Board of Regents schools have policies about accepting IB coursework) and the necessity to ensure that transfer credits were coordinated with individual departments. It was moved and passed unanimously that the committee approved of the transfer arrangement and now the ACC is asking the Senate to approve the measure.

Requested action: Faculty Senate approval

Originated by: Tom Prasch, Chair of Academic Affairs Committee in fulfillment of requested action by Nancy Tate, Asst. VPAA

Faculty Senate Action Item

Date: 18 January 2009/revised 23 March 2009

Number: 09-01 (revised)

Subject: Vote of no confidence in Mike Gunter as head of Information Systems and Services (ISS)

Description:

Because, as head of ISS, Mike Gunter has repeatedly initiated policies and procedures that interfere with faculty research and scholarship, academic computing, classroom teaching, library access, faculty privacy, academic freedom, and faculty and student rights to intellectual property;

and because he has been repeatedly unresponsive to appropriate requests by the Faculty Senate, members of the faculty, and other constituted committees of the faculty and has lost the trust of the faculty;

the Faculty Senate declares that it has no confidence in Mike Gunter as head of ISS.

Requested action: Faculty Senate approval and transmission to Vice President for Administration Wanda Hill, Vice President for Academic Affairs Robin Bowen, and President Jerry Farley.

Originated by: Thomas Prasch in fulfillment of requested action by the Faculty Senate

BALLOT FOR VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE IN MIKE GUNTER AS HEAD OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND SERVICES

Please vote by marking an X next to your choice.

_____ I vote **FOR** the Senate's no confidence in Mike Gunter as Head of ISS.
(I am no longer confident in MIKE GUNTER's ability to head ISS.)

_____ I vote **AGAINST** the Senate's measure.
(I am still confident that Mike Gunter should remain head of ISS).

Faculty Senate Action Item

Date: 5 February 2009

Number: 09-03

Subject:

"The Academic Affairs Committee shall consist of two (2) Faculty Senate members from each of the School of Applied Studies, the School of Business, and the School of Nursing, and five (5) Faculty Senate members from the College of Arts and Sciences (1 per Division), and the Senate representative of Mabee Library/CRC. Each member will be elected to a one year term by the Faculty Senate from its ranks. The committee selects its own chairperson. Decisions of the Academic Affairs Committee require the affirmative vote of eight of the twelve members; eight members shall constitute a quorum to conduct business. The VPAA shall be a non-voting ex-officio member of the committee."

Approved by:

College of Arts and Sciences Faculty
February 5, 2009

Faculty Senate Action Item

Date: March 9, 2009

Number: 09-06

Subject: Notification of Infraction—Academic Impropriety Form

Description:

A proposed form for faculty to submit infractions of academic integrity policy to Dean of Students office.

Implementation:

The form will be available on the VPAA's website and all faculty will be encouraged to fill the form out for each violation of academic propriety. Records will be expunged five years after the end of a student's career at Washburn University (either five years after graduation, or five years after the last term in which classes were taken).

To: Dean of Students

From: Name of Faculty making complaint

RE: Notification of Infraction—Academic Impropriety

I. Infraction?

Name of student:

Kind of infraction

II. Dispensation?

A. Faculty

- a. Warning issued
- b. Grade on assignment lowered
- c. Failing Grade on assignment
- d. Course Grade Lowered
- e. Failing Grade for course
- f. Other

B. Dean of Students

- a. Notification only; Matter taken care of at faculty level
- b. Adjudication requested

1. Dean of Students
2. Academic Review Board

III. Notification (checklist)

- A. Faculty to Dean of Students
- B. Dean of Students to Faculty filing report
- C. Dean of Students to Student reported
- D. Dean of Student's Report to Senates (without names attached)

Date: March 9, 2009 Originated by: J. Karen Ray
Chair, Academic Integrity Committee