

**Faculty Senate
Washburn University**

*Minutes of November 28, 2011
Kansas Room*

Present: Arterburn, Barker, Blank, Edwards, Fry, Gonzalez-Abellas, Isaacson, Jacobs, Kelly, Kowalski, Mazachek, Melick, Menzie, Miller, Morse, Ockree, Perret, Pilgram, Rich, Roach, Routsong, Rubenstein, Sanchez, Schmidt, Sheldon, Wagner,

- I. The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:32 PM. Bill Roach presiding.
- II. The minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting of November 14, 2011 were approved.
- III. President's Opening Remarks.
Elliott Haugen addressed the Senators, thanking them for their input and support. Haugen commented that the process began 21 months ago due to concerns of the Senate. One of his first meetings was with the Senate, and he thanked them for both opening the door, and helping support changes and new initiatives. The IT Resources policy is going to the Washburn BoR this Friday. The department is taking a much more logical approach by taking out the control and putting in the protection, making IT a shared governance.
- IV. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents
Vice President Roach reported that there had been no meeting of the BoR since the last FS meeting.
- V. Report from the Units – None
- VI. Report from the VPAA – None
- VII. Faculty Senate Committee Reports –
A. Minutes from the Academic Affairs Committee of October 24, 2011 were accepted.
- VIII. University Committee Minutes
A. Minutes of the General Education Review committee meeting of November 7, 2011 were accepted.
B. Minutes of the Graduate Education Committee meeting of October 28, 2011 were accepted.
- IX. Old Business. –
A. 11-29 – Change to Political Science Major – Dr. Mark Peterson was present to answer questions. Motion to approve was passed.
B. 11-30 – Department of Education Proposal for Two Master's Degrees. A motion to postpone action failed. A motion to amend the proposal, replace the word "two" with "additional" was passed. The amended proposal was approved.
- X. New Business – none
- XI. Adjournment – the meeting was adjourned at 4:11 pm