

**Faculty Senate
Washburn University**

*Minutes of October 22, 2012
Kansas Room*

Present: Angel, Barker, Childers, Fry, Gonzalez-Abellas, Isaacson, Jackson, Kaufman, Kelly, Kitts, Mazachek, McMillen, Menzie, Mercader, Miller, Ockree, Pembrook (VPAA), Perret, Pilgram, Rich, Roach, Russell, Schmidt, Sheldon, Tate (AVPAA), Ubel, Wade, Wagner, Weigand, Wohl, Wynn

- I. The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:29 PM. Steve Angel presiding.
- II. The minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting of September 24, 2012 were approved.
- III. President's Opening Remarks.
President Angel deferred opening remarks since there was a full agenda.
- IV. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents: VP Roach reported that the BoR meeting approved business transactions. President Angel also remarked that each unit was presenting to the BoR; CAS Dean McQuere presented an overview. The Board also approved the benefits package and there is a slight increase in co-pay.
- V. Special Report - Mike Russell, IRB and WTE
Russell informed senators that there have been changes to the IRB format. There is a new application and in order to be approved, the applicant must be certified. There is a link on the Angel site to the IRB certification. There are modules to complete, including videos and a quiz. Russell also reported that there have been many changes to WTE this year. International WTE faculty led proposals are being reviewed on a rolling basis so faculty will be aware very early how much funding is received and how much will have to be raised by the group. In the scholarly option, there is a new option, Exploring America, which will allow faculty to develop a course which will allow students to transform outside their comfort area. Russell gave examples such as exploring areas with other cultures, historical sites, large cities, etc. In the leadership option, the WTE has been designed for problem-solving. Students should identify a problem, develop a plan and work 1:1 with a faculty member to solve. This also has faculty compensation attached like the scholarly.
- VI. Report from the VPAA – Dr. Pembrook
VP Pembrook informed senators administration is looking at all the rooms with projectors, checking intensity, lighting problems, etc. Please contact the VP's office or Floyd Davenport with information. VP Pembrook attended the HLC update in Chicago last week and there were many sessions on the Quality Assurance and Quality Initiatives. He reminded senators that the faculty dinners on November 29 and December 6 will look at the proposals that have been submitted. There are currently four searches: SAS Dean, CAS Dean, Leadership Director, and Mulvane Director. He also reminded senators of the reception Tuesday, October 23 for Cindi Morrison. Over 500 statewide faculty met at K-State on Friday, October 19 to cross-walk core curriculum. Two senator were in attendance, Miguel and Sarah. The University Press of Kansas, supported by multiple institutions and housed in Lawrence, has expressed interest in coming to campus to discuss research projects, books, etc with faculty; senators expressed an interest to have them come and present. The Tilford Conference on Diversity is next week. Pembrook also remarked that there has been a one-half day devoted by the legislature to doctoral research. It is being expanded to include Master's and undergraduate research and will be held on February 20 at the Capitol.

- VII. Faculty Senate Committee Reports –
- A. Academic Affairs Committee Minutes of March 26, 2012 were accepted.
 - B. Academic Affairs Committee Minutes of September 17, 2012 were accepted.
 - C. Academic Affairs Committee Minutes of October 1, 2012 were accepted.
 - D. The electoral committee reported that there have been no nominations for the at-large position. They are reopening the applications this week.
- VIII. University Committee Minutes
- A. Assessment Committee minutes from September 6, 2012 were accepted
 - B. Honors Advisory Committee Minutes of September 5, 2012 were accepted
 - C. Research Grants Committee Minutes of September 12, 2012 were accepted.
 - D. Interdisciplinary Committee Minutes of October 12, 2012 were accepted
- IX. Old Business. –
- A. 12-08 Approval of WU 101 for University Requirement – Alan Bearman provided an overview of the proposal. The proposal was approved and sent to General Faculty.
 - B. 12-09 Removal of KN 198 as a university requirement – Roy Wohl provided an overview of the proposal. The proposal was approved and sent to General Faculty
 - C. 12-10 Change of SAS Association Degree Offerings with Washburn Tech. Dan Petersen provided an overview. The proposal was approved and sent to General Faculty.
 - D. 12-11 Change of Human Services degree from AAS to AA. The proposal was approved and sent to General Faculty.
 - E. 12-12 Make-up of General Education Committee. Sarah Ubel and Dr. Pembroke provided an overview of the proposal. The proposal was approved and sent to General Faculty.
 - F. 12-13 Masters of Accountancy. David Sollars and Jim Martin provided an overview of the proposal. The proposal was approved and sent to General Faculty.
- X. New Business –
- A. 12-14 Change in Faculty Senate Constitution Item II-c. Steve Angel provided an overview. The motion was closed on first reading.
- XI. Discussion Items: none
- XII. Information Items: none
- XIII. Adjournment – the meeting was adjourned at 4:57 pm