

**Faculty Senate
Washburn University**

*Minutes of August 27, 2012
Washburn B Room*

Present: Angel, Barker, Edwards, Fernengel, Fry, Gonzalez-Abellas, Isaacson, Jackson, Kitts, Kaufman, Kelly, Mazachek, McMillen, Menzie, Mercado, Miller, Ockree, Palbicke, Pembroke (VPAA), Perret, Pilgram, Rich, Roach, Rubenstein, Russell, Schmidt, Sheldon, Tate (AVPAA), Ubel, Unruh, Wade, Wagner, Weigand, Wohl, Wynn

- I. The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:32 PM. Steve Angel presiding.
- II. The minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting of May 14, 2012 were approved.
- III. President's Opening Remarks.
President Angel welcomed everyone to the start of a new year. Angel reported to Senators that there were already items of business for the Senate committees. Sean Bird tendered his resignation to the Senate after accepting a new position, so an at-large election will be needed to be held this fall. The FAC will be dealing with intellectual property, the unresolved conflict of interest policy from last year, composition of the gen ed committee, and social media policy. Academic affairs will be taking up Phase II of the general education and looking at options and policy for the graduate committee.
- IV. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents: VP Roach reported that during the last BoR meeting, the Board approved the new Law School Building. This will require \$20 million in fund raising, \$10 million from surplus funding and \$10 million from capital improvements. Roach also commented that this is a commitment from the BoR to President Farley.
- V. Special Report - Richard Liedtke
Liedtke started by thanking those Senators who participated in the convocation last week. He replied the response was very positive as indicated by the social network activity.
Liedtke reported to Senators on the new 3 F policy. This will entail more information prior to faculty submitting an F grade for students at the end of semester, they will need to choose between 3 categories:
 - 1: NF – student enrolls and never attends class
 - 2: OF – student starts the class and then disappears. Faculty will need to report the last day student was assessed.
 - 3: FF – student completes class but receives an F due to quality of work.These categories are required due to new Federal regulations that require work is monitored. Students themselves will only see an F on their transcript.
- VI. Report from the VPAA – Dr. Pembroke
VP Pembroke remarked that over the summer Richard Liedtke, Steve Angel, Nancy Tate and he worked on the policy outlined by Richard. This is just the first step that will take place beginning this fall. Senators discussed administrative withdrawals of students and were informed that discussions will take place in 2012-13 in regard to the policy for administratively withdrawing students from class.
VP Pembroke reminded Senators of discussion to have a second business meeting in the fall in order to expedite new initiatives. A second meeting will be held on November 29. Pembroke also discussed changes to the graduate committee makeup and how their activities are reported to the faculty senate. As this time, items from the Graduate committee come to faculty senate as a second

reading. Senators asked to refer to the AAC to look at how items should be handled prior to coming to the faculty senate.

VP Pembroke also announced that 20 students opted to enroll in the Bridge program through Washburn Tech this fall.

- VII. Faculty Senate Committee Reports –none

- VIII. University Committee Minutes
 - A. Curriculum Grants Committee minutes from April 13, 2012 were accepted
 - B. Research Grants Committee Minutes of May 4, 2012 were accepted
 - C. Faculty Development Grants Committee Minutes of April 17, 2012 were accepted

- IX. Old Business. –
 - A. 12-06 Approval of LLM in Global Legal Studies
Lori McMillan, Washburn SOL provided an overview. Item was approved and sent to General Faculty

- X. New Business –none

- XI. Discussion Items: none

- XII. Information Items: none

- XIII. Adjournment – the meeting was adjourned at 4:26 pm