

**Faculty Senate
Washburn University**

*Minutes of April 9, 2007 Meeting
Kansas Room, Memorial Union*

Present: Baker, Bayens, Borden, Boyd, Camarda, Concannon, Dick, Dinkel, Evans, Jackson, Jacobs (President), Lockwood, Martin, Meador, Munzer, Nobo, Palmer, Patzel, Pownell, Prash Ray, Renn-Scanlan, Roach, Russell, C. Schmidt, S. Schmidt, Shipley, L. Smith, C. Sullivan, S. Sullivan, Walker, Wasserstein (VPAA)

- I. The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:32 PM.
- II. The minutes of the March 12th, 2007 Faculty Senate meeting were approved.
- III. President's Opening Remarks.
 - A. With respect to the VPAA search, President Jacobs reported that the list had been winnowed to five individuals. Those five will be invited on campus for an interview between April 24 and May 10.
 - B. President Jacobs reminded those in attendance that, in accordance with the Faculty Senate Constitution, the last meeting of the 2006 – 2007 academic year would be Monday, May 7th, the first day of final exam week.
- IV. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents.
 - A. At the March 16th, 2007 meeting, the Board of Regents approved the list of promotion and tenure recommendations, approved recommended academic program changes, approved the SAS proposed promotion and tenure changes, and authorized continued classroom renovations.
- V. Faculty Senate Committee Reports.
 - A. The minutes of the Academic Affairs Committee meetings of 03/05/2007 were accepted.
 - B. The minutes of the Faculty Affairs Committee meetings of 03/26/2007 were accepted.
- VI. University Committee Minutes.
 - A. The minutes from the Small and Major Research Grant meetings of April 5, 2006, April 18, 2006, October 26, 2006, and November 2, 2006 were accepted.
 - B. The minutes from the International Education Committee meeting of March 8, 2007 were accepted.
- VII. Old Business.
 - A. The motion was made to approve the proposed Change in wording of Sabbatical Policy (05-02 rev). The motion was seconded and approved.
 - B. Washburn University Dual Degree Program School of Law (J.D.) & School of Business (M.B.A.) and MBA Curriculum Revision Proposal was approved.
- VIII. New Business. There was no New Business.

IX. Discussion Items.

- A. Wasserstein (VPAA) that Washburn University would initiate the Collegiate Learning Assessment this upcoming (2007 – 2008) academic year.
- B. To aid in the comparison of Faculty Handbook Grievance policy and the proposed process and procedure of the Conflict of Interest, the agenda for the next Faculty Senate meeting would contain both documents.
- C. Mike Gunter discussed with those in attendance the new ITS policy involving scanning exams. Gunter noted that a need exists to replace the machine for scanning exams. He also stated that the procedure of scanning exams would not begin this semester.

X. The meeting was adjourned at 4:58 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Mike Russell, Secretary to the Faculty Senate