

**Faculty Senate
Meeting Minutes
September 1, 2016
UC 221**

Senators/Reps in attendance:

Johnny Snyder, James Ayers, Dan Schultz-Ela, Josh Butler, Darin Kamstra, Lisa Friel, TJ Gerlach, Megan Glynn Zollinger, Elizabeth Sharp, Karen Urban, Sarah Swedberg, Chad Middleton, Aparna Palmer, Thomas Walla, Anne Bledsoe, Ben Linzey

Guests in attendance:

Cynthia Pemberton, VP of Academic Affairs; Kurt Haas, Asst. VP of Academic Affairs; Joseph Kuntz, C-SEAP (Colorado State Employee Assistance Program) – Department of Personnel & Administration

Minutes Recorder: Melinda J. Scott

I. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL BY SIGN-IN

Meeting was called to order by President Johnny Snyder at 3:32pm.

Senators and guests were reminded to sign the Roll Call sheet on the clipboard.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

A. WCCC Curriculum Committee Year End Report, 2015-16

B. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Year End Report, 2015-16

C. Academic Policies Committee Final Year End Report, Fall 2015 – Spring 2016

D. Assessment Committee Minutes from 4/5/16

E. Assessment Committee Year End Report, 2015-16

Motion: to accept all items on the Consent Agenda as listed above.

(Swedberg/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

III. APPROVE SENATE MINUTES FROM 5/5/16 MEETING

Motion: to approve the Faculty Senate minutes of May 5, 2016 as amended (see discussion below).

(Ayers/ seconded); motion carried unanimously.

Discussion: The year of the date of the minutes should be corrected: from May 5, 2015 to May 5, 2016.

IV. COMMITTEE MINUTES AND REPORTS TO APPROVE

A. Faculty Senate Library Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes from 3/21/16

Motion: to approve the Faculty Senate Library Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes of 3/21/16.

(Middleton/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

Discussion: Senators noted typos in date: March 21st, 2015 should be March 21st, 2016, and the first word on the penultimate line on pg. 1 should be “Collection,” not “Collect.”

B. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee Report of Executive Subcommittee Action

Discussion: This report was “fast-tracked” at the last Faculty Senate meeting—accepted and approved by the senators on 5/5/16.

Motion: to strike item IV.B. from the agenda.

(Middleton/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Employee Assistance Program – Joe Kuntz

[Hand-outs: “Got Stress?” C-SEAP brochure, Joe Kuntz’s business card]

Mr. Kuntz gave a presentation to the senators on the many services available to state employees through the Colorado State Employee Assistance Program.

President Snyder introduced the idea of developing campus crisis procedure(s). Are there any in place? Where should this information be made available?

B. Faculty Profile/Characteristics in 5-10 years – discussion/homework item

[Hand-out—title noted above]

President Snyder enjoined his fellow senators to survey department colleagues for the top five (desired) characteristics of CMU faculty in the year 2025.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Faculty Exit Interview Template—Snyder will distribute electronically

[Hand-out—title noted above]

President Snyder requested senate members to review. Does this document cover what is needed?

B. Senate Statement on Diversity, Chad Middleton

Senator Middleton provided an update on the success of gathering signatures for this statement.

The CMU Board of Trustees was very interested and 7 members added their signatures to the document. The Criterion has not yet responded to Middleton’s attempts to contact the editor for either a feature story or publication. ASG VP Ben Linzey will follow up with the Criterion. It was suggested that Dana Nunn might be a good contact for spreading the word about this statement.

VII. REPORTS

A. CFAC Report, James Ayers

Vice President/Representative Ayers had nothing to report. The first CFAC meeting of the academic year is sometime during the week after CMU’s fall break on October 14. On a side note, Ayers noted that the Curriculum Committee now has a new chair and vice chair, Scott Kessler and Lisa Driskell, respectively.

B. Executive Committee Report, Dan Schultz-Ela

The Executive Committee reviewed the Faculty Senate agenda. President Foster wants to know the main focus of Faculty Senate for the 2016-2017 academic year. Outstanding issues of interest include funding for students, clubs and research, as well as campus diversity and mentoring minority students.

C. President’s Report, Johnny Snyder

The president continues to pursue a representative from WCCC to fill the vacancy on Faculty Senate. The Diversity Working Group will first meet September 9th and every other Friday thereafter. There is a call for candidate nominations for the Distinguished Faculty award, due at the end of September. The “Faculty Senate Issues” preference ballot distributed at the senate retreat in August are due today. He plans a meeting with Liz Meyer, CMU Foundation CEO, regarding the Robinson Endowed Lecture Series to try to get it up and running. The Academic Council meeting minutes are now online. Drs. Sam Lohse and Matthew Stansbury now serve on the Graduate Studies Advisory Committee. Faculty Senate notebooks spanning many years of meeting minutes need to be stored somewhere—considerations are the library archives and/or VPAA storage.

D. Update from Academic Affairs, Cynthia Pemberton

New Vice President of Academic Affairs Pemberton was introduced to Faculty Senate. She shared her approach to the new position with CMU, campus departments and faculty members. She mentioned that the summary notes for the Academic Affairs Council meetings are posted online. VP Pemberton fielded questions from the senators.

VIII. ADJOURN

Motion: to adjourn the Faculty Senate meeting of September 1, 2016.

(Schultz-Ela/seconded): motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Melinda J. Scott, Minutes Recorder