

**Faculty Senate
Meeting Minutes
November 3, 2016
UC 221**

Senators/Reps in attendance:

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

Senators/Reps absent:

TJ Gerlach, Megan Glynn Zollinger

Guests in attendance:

Cynthia Pemberton, VP of Academic Affairs; Kurt Haas, Asst. VP of Academic Affairs; Holly Teal, Registrar; Diana Baily, Health Sciences; Kristy Reuss, Health Sciences, Debra Baily, Health Sciences

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.

Guests were welcomed. They and the Senators were reminded to sign the Roll Call sheet on the clipboard.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Sabbatical Committee Meeting Minutes, 10/18/16

Motion: to receive the Sabbatical Committee Meeting Minutes of October 18, 2016. (Swedberg/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

III. FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

B. Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes, 10/20/16

Motion: to approve of the Faculty Senate minutes of October 20, 2016. (Middleton/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

IV. COMMITTEE MINUTES AND REPORTS TO APPROVE

No committee minutes or reports to approve.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. Policy and Procedures Manual for Faculty Senate Standing Committees (Snyder)

The revision for this document is available via the following file path:

R:\Faculty Senate\Fall 2016 files\Faculty senate standing committee policy and procedures_DRAFT_changes

Text in red designates revisions, while struck items denote text to be removed. Items of note: the addition of the Essential Learning Committee (p. 7), the addition of the Bill and Mai Robinson Lecture Fund Committee (p. 16), and the membership composition of the Sabbatical Leave Committee (p. 13). President Snyder asked the senators to review this document in time for the Faculty Senate meeting on December 1, 2016.

B. Charges to Academic Policies, Kurt Haas

[Hand-outs:

a: "Call-up to Active Duty of Armed Forces Reservists and National Guard Members"

b: "Academic Renewal"

c: "Exemption from ESSL 290 and ESSL 200 Requirements"]

With regard to the first hand-out, the revision formalizes the language within the policy. The second hand-out addresses the opportunity for students to redeem a ruined GPA. VPAA Haas recommends that the Academic Policies Committee pay special attention to the more lenient aspects of this revised policy. The third hand-out concerns exemptions from Milestone, Essential Speech and Wellness course requirements as they affect transfer students.

Discussion: The senators discussed the various merits and potential shortcomings of the three policy revisions.

Motion: to send these three charges to the Academic Policies Committee for expeditious review.

(Ayers/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

VI. OLD BUSINESS

A. Human Resources Crisis Resource Web Page (TBD)

VII. REPORTS

A. CFAC and VP Report, James Ayers

A full CFAC report will be submitted fully at a later date.

B. Student Government Report, Ben Linzey

ASG Vice President Linzey updated the senate on various subjects:

- the ASG resolution concerning the ASG President's fiscal responsibilities
- a bill for the Montrose Campus fitness center
- a sexual assault summit for student governments
- changes to the ASG Constitution

C. Executive Committee Report, Dan Schultz-Ela

Issues discussed at the executive meeting:

- President Foster reported that the state budget for higher education has increased 2.5%
- Montrose Campus strategic (5-year) plan includes consideration of:
 - ✓ Dorm facilities
 - ✓ A football team (desired by Montrose City Council)
 - ✓ Land offered for campus expansion by the city of Montrose (probably too costly to develop)
- No representation of Montrose campus at CMU flagship campus (requires a by-law change)

D. Faculty Trustee Report, Aparna Palmer

[Hand-out: "Summary of Board of Trustees Meeting – August 19th, 2019"]

Trustee Palmer briefed the senators with highlights from the Board of Trustees meeting.

E. President's Report, Johnny Snyder

- Faculty Senate Notebooks, years 2008-2016 now reside in the Tomlinson Library archives
- The Bill and Mai Robinson Lecture Fund Committee is now formed
- The Faculty Senate statement "Embracing Diversity & Condemning Bigotry," submitted as a letter to the editor by Senator Swedberg has been published in the Criterion and is available online at the Daily Sentinel's website
- Scheduled Wednesday, 11/3/16, is the Sexual Assault Prevention workshop
- The Faculty Handbook Committee is soliciting members to serve

F. Update from Academic Affairs, Cynthia Pemberton

Items covered by VPAA Pemberton included:

- Next “Ask & Answer” scheduled November 16, 2016
- Lots of information is available via the Academic Council summary notes online
- The author showcase (of book publications) at Tomlinson Library was wonderful; An event recognizing juried or peer-reviewed non-book works will be held in the spring.
- Lunch to Learn Program – focusing on country & culture
- After discussion with Faculty Senate, the faculty processional order for commencement will be left as is; this issue will be discussed again in the spring

VIII. ADJOURN

Motion: to adjourn the Faculty Senate meeting of November 3, 2016.

(Swedberg/seconded): motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 4:37 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Melinda J. Scott, Minutes Recorder