

**Faculty Senate
Meeting Minutes
October 19, 2017
UC 221**

Senators/Reps in attendance:

James Ayers, Kelly Bevill, Anne Bledsoe, Amy Bronson (proxy for Elizabeth Sharp), Joshua Butler, Kris Dietrich, Lisa Friel-Redifer, Kristen Hague, Pamela Holder, Darin Kamstra, Chad Middleton, Nathan Perry, Dan Schultz-Ela, Sarah Swedberg, Karen Urban, Thomas Walla, Jared Workman, Ben Linzey, Renae Phillips

Senators/Reps absent:

Elizabeth Sharp

Guests in attendance:

Tim Pinnow, Holly Teal, Chris DeLeon

Minutes Recorder: Renae Phillips

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

The meeting was called to order by President Josh Butler at 3:32pm.

President Butler welcomed guests and reminded senators and guests to sign the circulating Roll Call sheet.

The Criterion writer is here to cover the meetings.

II. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Ad Hoc T&P subcommittee: Recommendations for T&P Handbook Revisions

Motion: to accept item A on the Consent Agenda

(Ayers/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

Discussion: The Ad Hoc T& P subcommittee have been working on getting suggestions together on revisions. They are on the R:/ drive; please share with your departmental faculty to look at and respond. There are six proposals for discussion at the next Faculty Senate meeting. On Proposal 1, VI.C.2.A. there is a typo on the right column, it should state “five years for promotion to assistant professor,” not “six years”. Ayers will update the document. Middleton: Will we be considering these proposal-by-proposals or voting on the entire package as a Faculty Senate? Many of the proposals affect each other, however we might want to consider them one by one. If you find any typos, please send them to Brenda Wilhelm. Brenda Wilhelm will be at the next meeting so that she can answer any questions that may come up.

B. Academic Policy Committee Minutes from 10/11/17

Motion: to accept the Academic Policy Committee Minutes from 10/11/17

(Middleton/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

Discussion: none.

C. Academic Policies: Recommended Military Credit Policy

Motion: to approve the Academic Policies: Recommended Military Credit Policy (Swedberg/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

Discussion: none.

III. APPROVE FACULTY SENATE MINUTES of 10/5/17 MEETING

Motion: to approve the Faculty Senate minutes of October 5, 2017 (Ayers/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

Discussion: Kristen Hague needs her name to be added to the absent list. Sarah Swedberg also needs to be added to the absent list, and noted that Bill Flanik was Sarah Swedberg's proxy. Do you have any recommendations of the style of the minutes? Majority like the style of the minutes. Should we add the name of the second to the minutes? The motion is officially to open discussion. Sometimes the motion is seconded, even if they are against the motion, in order to get the discussion opened and do not necessarily want their name associated.

IV. COMMITTEE MINUTES AND REPORTS TO APPROVE

A. GCC Minutes from 10/11/17 (Amendment of title of Physician Assistant Program from "Master of Physician Assistant Science" to "Master of Physician Assistant Studies")

Motion: to suspend the Faculty Senate rules temporarily in regard to the GCC Minutes from 10/11/17

(Middleton/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

Discussion: Pinnow explained that when we originally began talking about the PA program with the Board of Trustees, Dr. Futhey presented to the Board the Master of Physician Assistant Studies and they approved that program. As the curriculum was developed, they found another program called Master of Physician Assistant Science and preferred that title, so the new title was added to the minutes of the Graduate Curriculum Committee. However, because the Board approved the Master of Physician Assistant Studies, we need to approve the GCC minutes concerning the change. In item I.A.1 on page 1, "Master of Physician Science" needs to be corrected to "Master of Physician Assistant Science," which Pinnow will do.

Motion: to approve the GCC Minutes from 10/11/17 as corrected (Ayers/seconded); motion carried unanimously.

Discussion: none.

V. NEW BUSINESS

A. None.

VI. CONTINUING BUSINESS

A. None.

VII. REPORTS

A. VP and CFAC report, James Ayers

There is one representative missing on the Sabbatical Leave Committee, be filled by Senate Group A, but no one is available at this time to participate.

B. Student Government Report, Ben Linzey

There is a continuing change of culture in ASG. The ASG Senators are active in other areas on campus, too. There was a bill that was 50/50 and the ASG Senators worked well together though the process. ASG is working with the off campus students, trying to get them more involved and more engaged. They discussed creating a youth council for the Grand Valley, a group of all High School Presidents, and the ASG President. They hope to invite the City Council and County Commissioners to come and become informed on what is happening. Elections are in Spring Break, but they will be reaching out to the departments to give recommendations for those positions.

C. Executive Committee Report, Dan Schultz-Ela

President Foster attended briefly. Ayers summarized the Tenure and Promotion recommendations. President Foster was interested but will wait to see how the process plays out.

D. Faculty Trustee Report, Chad Middleton

No Board of Trustees meeting, so no report.

E. President's Report, Joshua Butler

Butler is currently compiling all of the smoking ban data that have been submitted and will send that to Ben Linzey.

F. Update from Academic Affairs, Tim Pinnow

Dr. Pemberton sends her regards. Academic Affairs wants to thank all faculty for their patience while Dr. Pemberton is out. On Monday, Oct. 23rd, they will meet with Academic Counsel and will discuss incentives for full credit online courses that are regularly taught, but haven't been taught online. Will be paying those out as early as January 2018. Is there any further clarification on the HLC Visit on if they would like to visit the Faculty Senate? Will not know until about a week prior to visit.

VIII. ADJOURN

Motion: to adjourn the Faculty Senate meeting of October 19, 2017 (Ayers).

Meeting adjourned at 4:01pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Renaë Phillips, Minutes Recorder