

**Faculty Senate  
Meeting Minutes  
December 7, 2017  
UC 221**

**Senators/Reps in attendance:**

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

**Senators/Reps absent:**

**Guests in attendance:**

Scott Kessler, Scott Vangemeren, Aparna Palmer, Karl Castleton, Sonia Brandon, Scott Kessler, Colton Ruppie

**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 3:31pm.  
President Butler welcomed guests and reminded senators and guests to sign the circulating Roll Call sheet.

**II. CONSENT AGENDA**

**Motion: to accept the items on the Consent Agenda (Swedburg/seconded); motioned carried unanimously**  
Discussion: none.

A. UCC Minutes 11/9/2017

**III. APPROVE FACULTY SENATE MINUTES OF 11/16/17 MEETING**

**Motion: to approve the Faculty Senate minutes of November 16, 2017 (Middleton/seconded); motion carried unanimously.**  
Discussion: none.

**IV. COMMITTEE MINUTES AND REPORTS TO APPROVE**

A. Assessment Committee Minutes 9/5/17

**Motion: to approve the Assessment Committee Minutes 9/5/17 (Swedburg/seconded); motion carried unanimously.**  
Discussion: none.

B. Assessment Committee Minutes 10/3/17

**Motion: to approve the Assessment Committee Minutes 10/3/17 (Hague/seconded); motion carried unanimously.**

Discussion: keep an eye on the upcoming Ethical Reasoning SLO

**C. Faculty Success Minutes from 10/11/17**

**Motion: to approve the Faculty Success Minutes 10/11/17**

**(Sharp/seconded); motion carried unanimously.**

Discussion: Have looked over the exit interview template and will come to next meeting with focus points. Last Faculty @ The Point was a great success. Thank you for inviting people to come. Over 50 attended. Working on Spring, first will be sponsored by VPAA, others by Department Heads and the last will be sponsored by the biking community.

**D. GCC Minutes from 11/8/17**

**Motion: to approve the GCC Minutes 11/8/17**

**(Swedburg/seconded); motion carried unanimously.**

Discussion:

**V. CONTINUING BUSINESS**

**A. Update from the Distance Learning Committee with Scott Vangemeren**

Report: The committee is researching. Selecting peer intuitions with plans to collect data on the 13 schools and get finding on February 15<sup>th</sup>. "Like us by the same measures."

Good list for process of the committee. Would like to get approval to swap institutions if needed. Middleton recommends passing the list through VPAA to get by in to the list. Tim Pinnow is exofficio member of the committee so is aware, but Josh will make sure VPAA agrees. The committee has not looked into assessing the will and interest of CMU to increase online programs or increase number of courses online, as they are focusing on researching first.

**VI. NEW BUSINESS**

**A. Service learning and Making the World a Better Place with Tom Walla**

Report: Looking into developing a potential degree program for more action based learning, linking value system to career to encourage lifelong learning. Proposing a minor, a pathway in specific area to acquire a minor in "Leadership, Ethics and Service Learning (LESL)." Proposing a capstone. Reviewed CMU Social Responsibility Committee proposal draft V3 (12/6/17). Have not talked with the Essential Learning group, but to individuals, and have all come to the same conclusion that the students would benefit with service learning. Middleton reminded that 33% of course work has to be 300 or above to satisfy minor, per catalog. Needs to be considered. ASG President Linzey offered support and hopes to see a direction toward a Service Learning Office, which would benefit this greatly. ASH would consider a presentation on this to see student views and ideas, would bring Tom Walla to present. If anyone has a name of anyone interested or a specific course, please let Tom Walla know.

**VII. REPORTS**

**A. CFAC report, James Ayers**

Report: Open educational resources report was released today at noon and Ayers wants to review it to add to his report.

**B. Student Government Report, Ben Linzey**

**Report:** Reaching out to get graduation speakers for May commencement. There was a letter circulating from Georgetown University to DeVos, CMU ASG chose not to sign the letter, as they believe that CMU has a very supportive process in place. There has been a grievance against the Criterion, which ASG is working on. There are a lot of emotions attached to the situation. ASG is reworking bylaws over the break. Reminder about the new observatory on campus. Working on tobacco, opioid, alcohol abuse, Happy/Healthy MAVS.

**C. Executive Committee Report, Kristen Hague**

**Report:** Distance Education moving to where Developmental Education was located, as they are moving to the Library. Commencement is Friday

**D. Faculty Trustee Report, Chad Middleton**

**Report:** Importance of the Faculty Professional Development Fund. Largest commencement for December. Sabbatical leave reports. Financial dashboard. Grand Mesa Observatory open house on Saturday 12/9/17 530-730pm @ 7475 Purdee Mesa Road

**E. President's Report, Joshua Butler**

**Report:** Counseling services items passed around. Handbook committee will meet soon. Ad hoc committee will reconvene to look at interpretive guidelines.

**F. Update from Academic Affairs, Dr. Cynthia Pemberton**

**Report:** none.

**VIII. ADJOURN**

**Motion: to adjourn the Faculty Senate meeting of December 7, 2017  
(Swedburg/seconded)**

Meeting adjourned at 4:24pm.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rena Phillips, Minutes Recorder