

MEMBERS - Listed Alphabetically

Eric Amsel (on Sabbatical 15-16)

Diego Batista

Nicole Beatty

Thomas Bell

Tim Border

Bruce Bowen

Casey Bullock, Admin.

Cary Campbell

Fred Chiou – Rick Orr

Bruce Davis, Admin. – Brian Stecklein

Matthew Denning

David Ferro, Admin.

Electra Fielding

Robert Fudge

Afshin Ghoreishi

Alicia Giralt - Excused

Pepper Glass

Shandel Hadlock, Student Success Center

Leslie Park, Student Success Center

Kirk Hagen

Alexandra Hanson

Frank Harrold, Admin.

Jeffrey Henry, Student Senator

Michael Hernandez

Tim Herzog – Laine Berghout

Joan Hubbard, Admin. - Excused

Gary Johnson

Cash Knight, Student Senator

Brandon Koford

Tarl Langham, Student Senator

David Matty, Admin.

Marek Matyjasik – Adolph Yonkee

Madonne Miner, Admin.

Molly Morin

Brad Mortenson, Admin. – Excused

Carol Naylor

Casey Neville

Kathy Newton

Matthew Nicholaou

Tanya Nolan

Jean Norman

Craig Oberg

Matt Ondrus

Jenn Ostrowski – Justin Rigby

Carrie Ota

Julia Panko – Jessica Greenberg

Richard Price – (Eric Amsel)

Clay Rasmussen

Jack Rasmussen, Admin. - Chloe Merrill

David Read

Rob Reynolds (Sabbatical Fall 15) - Mark Bigler

Andrea Salcedo, Student Senator - Absent

Yas Simonian, Admin.

Jeff Steagall, Admin.

Brian Stecklein, Admin.

Sarah Steimel

Doris Stevenson

Norm Tarbox - Admin. Excused

Ryan Thomas, Admin.

Drew Weidman

President Chuck Wight, Admin.

Mary Beth Willard

Jan Winniford, Admin. Excused

Catherine Zublin

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Guests:

Sally Cantwell, University Curriculum Chair

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Brenda Stockberger, Secretary

**All items from the minutes can be viewed on the Faculty Senate Webpage. Go to the 10 Dec 15 Meeting and click on the links.**

1. ROLL CALL
2. Approval of the minutes from 12 November 2015 Faculty Senate Meeting.

MOTION Motion to approve the minutes from 12 November Faculty Senate Meeting by Casey Neville.

SECOND Matthew Nicholaou

OUTCOME Unanimous

DISCUSSION None.

### **Information Items**

3. Update on Weber State University Activities – Chuck Wight, President, Weber State University

Weber State University will graduate 2,500 students will graduate on 18 December 2015. There has been a lot of discussion on graduation rates this year. Thanks to many of you for your ideas, your thoughts, your energy your actions to help students move along a little faster. Long term graduation rates are really - really good. A lot of our students go part-time and they don't finish in 6 years and many areas that is the metric to which we are held. Education Trust reports that concerns graduation rates for students from under represented communities. WSU was singled out in a group of universities that hasn't done very well. Three year averages of our 6 year graduation rates for overall and for students that self-identify as white and for student identify as an underrepresented minority group and they compared that to data from 10 years previous reported is that over a 10 year period from 2003 to 2013 our overall graduation rate when up 2% for white students it went up 3.5%, for underrepresented minorities it went down by 6.4%. There is a gap between the success rates of white students and the success rate of students from under represented communities. There are some individuals that are digging into the data to find out why it is so and what we can do to turn it around. The gap should be narrowing not widening. This is a concern. A plan is being put in to place to try and turn this around.

University Planning Council –

The Council came up with ideas for things to do in the future to center our planning around. Bret Ellis talked about IT strategies for helping students to plan more effectively. Madonne Miner talked about possible changes in Quantitative Literary to make it more relevant for what students really need to know in their lives as engaged citizens and in their careers.

Norm Tarbox talked about branding Weber State University as a destination campus that would attract more non-resident students to WSU. Part of that goal is our non-resident tuition. The only increase in funding that we will get in the future is from tuition. As we look to the long term, increasing tuition from non-resident students can be a way of helping local students with their college participation rates and college completion rates.

Jan Winniford talked about staffing and structural changes in Student Affairs and to Academic Affairs to better meet the needs of students from underrepresented communities. There is a lot of energy around student success and planning which is a good thing.

Legislative Session in January – Regents looks very good. Governor's budget is looking good for education and very good for higher education. Regents asked for a 3% compensation increase the governor asked for 2.9%. Not back up to the levels of funding that we were in 2007 and 2008. The Governor's proposal is to put a lot of the increased, available state money into education this year.

Highest Capital priority is still the remodeling of the Social Sciences Building. Working to finalize a gift that would contribute to the cost of the remodel and a naming opportunity for the building.

### **Action Items**

#### 4. APAFT Committee – Stephen Francis, Chair

NOTE: The Tenure Document was postponed until the 21 January 2016 meeting, in order for a vote by the Health Professions faculty to be completed as requested by the Executive Committee.  
Health Professions Tenure Document

#### 5. University Curriculum Committee – Sally Cantwell, Chair

Curriculum Feedback - Be sure you are logged in. You must go into view proposal to see the full proposal and be able to approve or make comments. On the make your decision window, click on your decision (approve) then make a comment in the box prior to approving. Go into Curriculog and see if you can delete your proposal if it isn't being using. If you can't, let Brenda Stockberger or Sally Cantwell know. Thank you for your feedback and patience as Curriculog evolves. Senators will not approve any proposals the Agenda Administrator will make the approval for the Senate Step. Future updates to curriculog might involve a better sorting options and to remove the originator step, that has caused some confusion.

What should I be looking for when there is so much curriculum to be reviewed? Watch for things in your college and those courses that could have overlap in your college. Watch for outcomes listed, policy problems, a General Education issue. If you have a question, please bring it up.

The following proposals were approved at University Curriculum Meeting on 18 November 2015 in Curriculog.

### **ARTS & HUMANITIES**

Visual Arts and Design

#### **Program Change Proposals**

ART BFA Studio Distribution Section – Mark Biddle, DOVAD

ART BFA Graphic Design Program – Mark Biddle, DOVAD

Design for Digital Media Minor, Mark Biddle, DOVAD

Visual Arts and Design

#### **Course Revision Proposals**

Steven Wolochowicz, DOVAD

ART3310 Ceramics II

ART3320 Ceramics III Intermediate

ART4310 Ceramics IV Advanced

ART4320 Ceramics V the Artist's Identity

### **ARTS & HUMANITIES**

Visual Arts and Design

#### **New Course Proposal**

ART 3410 Design Seminar for Juniors- Mark Biddle, DOVAD

#### **Course Deletion Proposal**

ART4300 - Steven Wolochowicz, DOVAD

#### **New Course Proposal**

ENGL4900 Internships in Literary and Textual Studies – Scott Rogers, English

ENGINEERING, APPLIED SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY (EAST)

**New Course Proposal**

CS3650 Human Computer Interaction – Robert Ball

**New Course Proposals**

MFET 4315 Welding Robotics Mark Baugh, Engineering Technology

**New Gen Ed Collaboration Courses for WSU Program - Holding**

WSU1560 (ENGL) Perspectives in Social Science and Humanities: Identity in the Digital Age - Luke Fernandez, Computer Science – Originator (Executive Committee Requested a letter of Support)

**Program Change Proposal**

Web and User Experience (BS) Laura Anderson  
Web and User Experience (AAS) - Laura Anderson  
Web Technology Minor - Laura Anderson

Computer Science

**Program Change Proposal**

Computer Science Minor – Brian Rague

Engineering Technology

**Program Change Proposal**

Welding Emphasis, Manufacturing Engineering Technology (BS) Mark Baugh

HEALTH PROFESSIONS

Health Administrative Services

**Program Change Proposal**

Health Administrative Services: Health Services Administration Emphasis and Long Term Care emphasis - Pat Shaw

EDUCATION

Masters of Education in Curriculum and Instruction

**New Program Proposal**

Graduate Certificate in Special Education – David Byrd, Masters Education

Health Promotion & Human Performance

**New Program Proposal**

Outdoor Community and Outdoor Recreation Education(OCRE); Emphasis #1 Community Recreation Administration (CRA) Emphasis #2 – Outdoor Adventure Recreation Administration (OARA) – Cass Morgan,

HPHP

**Program Revision Change Proposal**

Recreation – Cass Morgan, HPHP

**New Course Proposals**

REC 2500 Introduction to Outdoor Pursuits – Cass Morgan, HPHP  
REC 3320 – Adventure Programming - Cass Morgan, HPHP  
REC 3500 – Community Recreation and Park Planning - Cass Morgan, HPHP  
REC 3900 – Commercial Outdoor Recreation – Cass Morgan, HPHP  
REC 4020 – Nature Interpretation - Cass Morgan, HPHP  
REC 4300 – Trends and Ethical Issues in Recreation Services - Cass Morgan, HPHP

**Program Prefix Change**

Human Performance Management – Molly Smith

**Course Revision Proposal**

PEP3700 Recreation and Sports Facilities and Events Management – Cass Morgan

HPHP

**New General Education Social Science Proposal**

PEP2700 Sociohistorical Aspects of Sport – Chad Smith

Course revision Proposal has been completed

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Child & Family Studies

**Gen Ed Diversity Proposal New**

CHF1500 – Human Development - Carrie Ota

Course Revision Proposal has been completed.

CHF 1500 - Human Development – Carrie Ota

SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Political Science & Philosophy

**New Course Proposals**

POLS 4100 Free Speech in Law and Politics - Richard Price

POLS 4861 International Internships - Richard Price

**Course Deletion Proposal** – Richard Price

POLS3060 Mock Trial

**New General Education Proposal Social Sciences**

POLS2400 Introduction to Law and Courts - Richard Price

**New Course Proposal**

POLS2400 Introduction to Law and Courts - Richard Price

SOCIAL & BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

Political Science & Philosophy

**Course Deletion Proposal** – Richard Price

POLS2060 Freedoms

POLS4070 Sex Roles & the Law

**Program Change Proposal**

Legal Studies Minor – Richard Price

SCIENCE

Chemistry

**New Course Proposals**

CHEM 3610 Foundations in Inorganic - Tim Herzog

CHEM 4250 Medicinal Chemistry – Tracy Covey

Chemistry

**Program Change Proposal**

Biochemistry - ACS Certified (BS) – Tracy Covey

Chemical Technician (AAS) Tim Herzog

Chemistry – ACS Certified (BS) Tim Herzog

MOTION Motion to approve the curriculum as listed above as a package with the exception of  
WSU1560(ENGL) by Tim Herzog.  
SECOND Alexandra Hansen  
OUTCOME Unanimous

6. Faculty Board of Review Committee – Craig Oberg, Chair  
New member nomination from Executive Committee: Dr. Karen Moloney, English, Arts & Humanities.  
New FBR Chair recommendation from Executive Committee has been postponed until January Meeting.

MOTION Motion to approve new member Dr. Karen Moloney, English, Arts & Humanities by Casey  
Neville.  
SECOND Kirk Hagen  
OUTCOME Unanimous

DISCUSSION None

7. Other Items

No other items discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:35 pm

**Next Meeting: Faculty Senate, Thursday, 21 January 2016 at 3:00 pm, WB206-207 Smith  
Lecture Hall**