

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES – APPROVED

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 Guests: Sally Cantwell, University Curriculum Chair _____ 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 PEP2700 Sociohistorical Aspects of Sport - Chad Smith

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

<u>SCIENCE</u> 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.

MOTIONMotion to approve new member Dr. Karen Moloney, English, Arts & Humanities by CaseyNeville.SECONDOUTCOMEUnanimous

DISCUSSION None

7. Other Items

No other items discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 3:35 pm

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