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## Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting, September 13, 2006

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**Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting**

September 13, 2006, 3:30 p.m.  
ENGR 209

Charles Riggs , Chair  
Linda Jones, Secretary  
Minutes Status: **Approved**

**Roll Call:**

**Present**

Officers: Riggs, Foley, Jones, Fort, Whayne, Rupe

Senators (elected): Allison, Brady, Comfort, Detels, Di Brezzo, Freund, Gay, Gordon, Hall, Jensen, Johnson, Killenbeck, King, Kral, Lieber, P. Martin, T. Martin, Mayes, Parry, Popp, Riemenschneider, Rupe, Salisbury, Schroeder, Spiegel, Stegman, Je. Turner, Jo. Turner , Wailes, Wall, Wardlow, Waller

Senators (admin): Bobbitt, Geren, McMath, Smith

**Absent**

Officers:

Senators (elected): Gbur, Rosenkrans, James, Tsai, Davidson, Hardgrave, Moiseichik, Deaton, Dennis, Cantrell, Sears, Thomas

Senators (admin): Allen, Nance, Broyles, Dutton, Greenwood, Lewis, Saxena, Shannon, Weidemann, White, Worrell

I. Call to Order: Charles Riggs, Chair

*The Chair called the meeting to order at 3:33.*

II. Approval of agenda

*The agenda was approved.*

III. Approval of minutes from April 19, 2006 meeting and ratify actions from May Consent Agenda conducted by E-mail.

April 19, 2006 - <http://www.uark.edu/depts/facsen/facsen2005to2006/fsminutes041906.htm>

May, 2006 - <http://www.uark.edu/depts/facsen/facsen2005to2006/agenda050306.html>

*The April and May minutes were approved.*

IV. Reports

A. Provost Smith reported on the following:

- **New Dean of Law School** – Cynthia Nance. First woman Dean at the U of A.
- **Higher Learning Commission** – North Central Association Re-Accreditation. We have made the case for a Special Emphasis Re-accrediting Process. Can submit the four 2010 reports to North Central plus a supplementary Self-Study report. Review takes place on campus, April 16-18, 2007
- **Honors College Faculty** – Have mechanisms for honoring faculty. 365 of our faculty are contributing to honors education.
- **Integrated Scholars** – Will be highlighted in "All Things Academic" in the near future.

B. Bob Smith/Nancy Talburt: Self-study for UA-North Central re-accreditation visit, April 2007.

**Re-accreditation Self Study** – Fourth 2010 report coming out in late winter. All four reports are the result of a lot of information being provided ahead of time and, thus, are very important. Only four institutions in the 19 state area have been allowed to submit a special emphasis report. Dr. Talburt asked that individuals submit reports electronically to help write the report on the five criteria. [http://uacted.edu/self\\_study/index.html](http://uacted.edu/self_study/index.html) Hope to have the five criteria up in rough draft form for review in the next couple of weeks.

C. Charles Riggs, Chair

Chairman Riggs reported that he and Jeannie Whayne, Campus Faculty Chair, are regularly attending meetings with the Administration. Several items from the past year need to be brought forward:

Two task forces – The first has been working on grading procedures at the U of A. Recommendations were previously

*made, in particular the need to look at the methods of evaluation as well as how to improve instruction at the U of A. A proposal has been received regarding changing the grading system; this proposal was sent to the Academic Standards Committee.*

*The second task force dealt with faculty governance. Professor Riggs noted that we will continue to look at this either with the current task force or with a new task force.*

#### V. Old Business

*None*

#### VI. New Business

A. Election of new Executive Committee (6 members) - *The following members of the Faculty Senate were elected to the Executive Committee:*

*Neil Allison, Janine Parry, John King, Tom Jensen, David Gay, Timothy Kral*

B. Election of new Campus Council (16 representatives)- *The following members of the Faculty Senate were elected to the Campus Council:*

*Charles Rosenkrans, George Wardlow, Neil Allison, Janine Parry, Joan Turner, John King, Bob Brady, Cindy Riemenschneider, Susan Mayes, Norm Dennis, Derek Sears, Tom Jensen, David Gay, Terry Martin, Timothy Kral, Luti Salisbury*

#### C. Consent Agenda

1. Undergraduate course change proposals approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on May 26th and August 25th, 2006 and recommended to the Faculty Senate for approval: [Table A](#).
2. Graduate and dual credit course change proposals approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on April 28th, and May 26th, 2006 and the Graduate Council on May 18th, July 20th, and August 17th, 2006 and recommended to the Faculty Senate for approval: [Table B](#) and [Table C](#).
3. Proposed undergraduate program change for the Dale Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food, and Life Sciences ([Table 1](#), Attachments [1A](#) and [1B](#)) approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on August 25, 2006 and recommended to the Faculty Senate for approval.
4. Proposed undergraduate program changes for the College of Education and Health Professions ([Table 2](#), Attachments [2A](#), [2B](#), [2C](#)) approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on August 25, 2006 and recommended to the Faculty Senate for approval.
5. Proposed undergraduate program changes for the College of Engineering ([Table 3](#), Attachments [3A](#), [3B](#), [3C](#)) approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on August 25, 2006 and recommended to the Faculty Senate for approval:
6. Proposed graduate program change for the Department of Curriculum and Instruction ([Table 4](#), Attachment [4A](#)) was approved by the Graduate Council on May 18, 2006 and recommended to the Faculty Senate for approval:
7. Proposed graduate program change for the Department of Educational Leadership, Counseling and Foundations ([Table 4](#), Attachment [4B](#)) was approved by the Graduate Council on May 18, 2006 and recommended to the Faculty Senate for approval:
8. Proposed graduate program change for the Department of Computer Science and Computer Engineering ([Table 4](#), Attachment [4C](#)) was approved by the Graduate Council on July 20, 2006 and recommended to the Faculty Senate for approval:
9. Proposed graduate program changes for the Department of Industrial Engineering ([Table 4](#), Attachments [4D](#) and [4E](#)) were approved by the Graduate Council on July 20, 2006 and recommended to the Faculty Senate for approval:
10. [Attachment 1](#) includes the changes to the policy on Annual Graduate Student Academic Review which were approved by the Graduate Council August 17, 2006 and is for **information only**.

*The consent agenda was approved.*

#### VII. Announcements

*On behalf of the Faculty Senate, Charles Riggs, Chair of the Faculty Senate, offered condolences to Professor John King for the loss of his wife, Lynne King.*

VIII. Adjourn

*The meeting was adjourned at 4:07 p.m.*