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Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting January 19, 2011, 3:30 p.m. ENGR 209

Ro DiBrezzo , Chair Linda Jones, Secretary Minutes Status: **Approved**

Roll Call

Present:

Officers: DiBrezzo, Freund, Brady, Jones, Kral, Gay

Senators (elected): (ARCH) Wall; (ALFS) Milus, Savin, Ahrendsen, Costello; (ARSC) Comfort, Turner, Parry, Scheide, Shobe, Grob-Fitzgibbon, Arenberg, Stites; (WCOB) Bouwman, Jensen; (EDHP) Kissinger, Stegman, Deggs; (ENGR) Gordon, Hall; (LAW) Brummer; (LIBR); (At-Large) Curington, Fort, Whayne, Allen, Gay, Murphy, Riggs, Johnson, Billings, Salisbury.

Senators (admin): Gaber, Smith, J. Rankin, Nance, Lewis.

Absent:

Officers:

Senators (elected): (ARCH); (AFLS) Karcher, Burgos; (ARSC) Behrend, Landman, Nolan, Rhoads, Van Brahana; (WCOB) Ellstrand; (EDHP) Smith-Nix; (ENGR) Beitle, Rossetti; (LAW); (LIBR) Kirkwood; (At-Large) Allison, Margulis.

Senators (admin): Gearhart, Vayda, Shannon, Schwab, Worrell, P. Rankin, Saxena, Shields, Henderson Allen, McMath.

- I. Call to Order: Ro DiBrezzo, Chair
- II. Roll Call
- III. Approval of Agenda

Agenda Approved

IV. Approval of minutes from December 08, 2010.

December 08, 2010

Minutes Approved

V. Reports

A. Provost's Report, Sharon Gaber - The Provost reported on the following:

Recently, non-resident tuition waivers and graduation rates have been discussed in the media; the information has been misrepresented. The UA is working to correct this. As always, we continue to work towards an increase in our graduation rates. Our current rate is at 58%, the highest in the state; we need to be around 65% to be comparable to our peers. We also have high ability students coming into the UA from out of state. Our \$900 New Arkansan program waives out of state tuition for these high ability students.

New Dean search for Fulbright College of Arts & Sciences continues. Five candidates are coming to the UA this spring for on-campus interviews. <u>Fulbright Dean's Search</u>

The Law School has a good pool of candidates; looking at phone interviews next.

We will conduct an on-campus, internal search for the new Dean of the Graduate School and International Studies. Dean Nance will serve as Chair of this search committee.

Exploring the possibility of a summer session incentive plan; we are running a deficit in the summer sessions and need to find a way to generate resources that are turned back over to the units. The intent is to help everybody. So, all should think of ways to get ahead in the summer time. Would also like to give 33% to faculty who teach in the summer.

With regards inclement weather, classes prior to an announced time for opening the university are cancelled. Thus, if the university opens for business on a Monday at 10, all classes scheduled to begin prior to that time are cancelled (7:30, 8:30, 9:30).

B. Steve Sheppard, Honorary Degrees

Professor Sheppard spoke of several policy recommendations with regards the Honorary Degree Committee. Briefly, they spoke of concerns with Board Policy 505.3; they seek to have the Chancellor waive the requirement that an honorary degree recipient also be expected to be a speaker at commencement; they seek clearer language on the merits and expectations of potential recipients.

Policy Recommendations

C. James Rankin - Facilities and Administrative Distribution

Offices are moving to ADMN, second floor, in March.

Report on Facilities and Administrative Distribution

D. Senate Chair's Report, Ro DiBrezzo

Professor DiBrezzo gave a report to the Chancellor's advising group in December; the report is on our web site along with the response from the Chancellor and Provost

All should get engaged with the Fulbright Dean's search all five interviews will take place during the months of January and February.

Institutional Review Board now has online tutorials for completing IRB's.

Academic Integrity Policy - Good work from the committee; meant to be educational and not just punitive

Regarding qualifying adults, Dr. DiBrezzo met with the Chancellor; still seeking an answer to the Resolution submitted to Dr. Sugg in 2008. Also conversing with Fred Harrison, Counsel General for the System.

Tom Jensen and Ro DiBrezzo will attend the Coalition on Intercollegiate Athletics meeting this semester.

Post Tenure Review - should be utilized on our campus.

Dr. DiBrezzo has received many great emails during her tenure as Faculty Senate Chair. She asks that we ask our Chairs to give us five minutes during departmental meetings to talk about our Faculty Senate meetings.

VI. Old Business

Teacher Course Evaluations

Still examining the implementation process to ensure the evaluations are completed.

Motion made to change the language in #10 to be tested in Spring 2011 adding "with goal of implementation in Fall 2011."

Amendment passed

Motion to approve proposal with amendment

Motion passed

VII. New Business

A. Consent Agenda: The following items are referred to the Faculty Senate for review and action at its meeting scheduled for January 12, 2011:

- 1. Undergraduate course change proposals approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on December 17, 2010: <u>Table A</u>.
- 2. Graduate and Dual credit course change proposals approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on November 19, 2010 and the Graduate Council on December 16, 2010: <u>Table B</u> and C.
- 3. Proposed undergraduate program change for the Bumpers College of Agriculture, Food and Life Sciences Department of Crop, Soil and Environmental Science ESWSBS BSA, Environmental Soil and Water Science (<u>Table One</u>, <u>Attachment 1A</u>) was approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on December 17, 2010.
- 4. Proposed undergraduate program change for the Bumpers College of Agriculture, Food and Life Sciences -

Department of Crop, Soil and Environmental Science – CPBT-M – Minor in Crop Biotechnology (<u>Table One</u>, <u>Attachment 1B</u>) was approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on December 17, 2010.

- 5. Proposed undergraduate program change for the Bumpers College of Agriculture, Food and Life Sciences School of Human Environmental Sciences APSTBS BSHES, Apparel Studies (<u>Table One</u>, <u>Attachment 1C</u>) was approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on December 17, 2010.
- 6. Proposed undergraduate program change for the Bumpers College of Agriculture, Food and Life Sciences School of Human Environmental Sciences FHNHBS BSHES, Food, Human Nutrition and Hospitality Dietetics Concentration (<u>Table One</u>, <u>Attachment 1D</u>) was approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on December 17, 2010.
- 7. Proposed undergraduate program change for the Bumpers College of Agriculture, Food and Life Sciences Department of Horticulture TURF-M Minor in Turf Management (<u>Table One</u>, <u>Attachment 1E</u>) was approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on December 17, 2010.
- 8. Proposed undergraduate program change for the Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences, Department of Physics AP Credit Policy for Physics C Mechanics and Physics C E&M Tests (<u>Table Two</u>, <u>Attachment 2A</u>) was approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on December 17, 2010.
- 9. College of Education and Health Professions proposed department name and alpha code change for the Department of Intramural/Recreational Sports (<u>Table Three</u>, <u>Attachment 3A</u>). For Information Only
- 10. Proposed undergraduate program change for the College of Education and Health Professions, Department of Curriculum and Instruction CHEDBS –BSE, Childhood Education (<u>Table Three</u>, <u>Attachment 3B</u>) was approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on December 17, 2010.
- 11. Proposed undergraduate program change for the Walton College of Business, All Majors and Business Student Minors (<u>Table Four, Attachment 4A</u>) was approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on December 17, 2010.

Consent Agenda Passed

B. Committee of the Whole for Honorary Degrees

VIII. Announcements

Campus Faculty Meeting - March 29th, Tuesday, Giffels Auditorium, 3:30 p.m.

IX. Adjourn