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Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting

April 11, 2012, 3:30 p.m.
ENGR 209

David Gay, Chair
Linda Jones, Secretary
Minutes Status: **Approved**

Roll Call

Present:

Officers: Gay, L. Jones, Kral, Brady, Martin

Senators (elected): (ARCH); (ALFS) Rom, Savin, Burgos, Ahrendsen, Costello; (ARSC) Kral, Freund, Comfort, Harrington, Parry, Landman, Christiansen, Shobe, Grob-Fitzgibbon, Arenberg, Rhoads; (WCOB) Myers; (EDHP) Murphy, Orr, Smith-Nix; (ENGR) Hall; (LAW) Brummer; (LIBR) Lehman; (At-Large) Johnson, Fort, Whayne, Parker Gibson, Rupe, Dennis, Jensen, Jones, Martin, Allison, Salisbury.

Senators (admin): Gearhart, Gaber, J. Rankin, Shields, Leeds, Henderson Allen, Lewis.

Absent:

Officers: C. Jones

Senators (elected): (ARCH) Wall; (AFLS); (ARSC) Nolan, Stites, Brahana; (WCOB) Bouwman, Ellstrand; (EDHP) Deggs; (ENGR) Deaton, Beitle, Rossetti; (LAW); (LIBR); (At-Large) Margulis.

Senators (admin): Vayda, Shannon, Roberts, Worrell, P. Rankin, Smith, Saxena, McMath.

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I. Call to Order: David Gay, Chair

The meeting was called to order at 3:35/

II. Roll Call

Roll was called.

III. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was amended to remove item VI B, Academic Integrity. The amended agenda was approved.

IV. Approval of minutes from March 14, 2012

The Senate approved the minutes of March 14.

V. Reports

A. Chancellor, David Gearhart

The Chancellor reported on the following:

- *Very proud of Jeff Long and his press conference on April 10th. Mr. Petrino has five days to appeal, if he so chooses. The Senate offered it's applause and support of Jeff Long.*
- *The Chancellor appreciates our patience with regards our growing pains. The hillside auditorium should open this fall.*
- *TAP Report - this helps us to take stock of where we are and where we are headed; it includes [15 overarching goals](#).*
- *We will receive an additional \$837,000 from the State next year. We have grown, for numerous reasons including the fact that we are now a choice institution and have quality professional enrollment.*
- *We need to do better with salaries and again hope to give raises this year.*
- *We continue to work on facilities across campus; our new Southwestern Energy building will help us to hold other entities relevant to our campus but not necessary on campus.*
- *Future needs include an additional classroom and labs building, continued increase in the quality of our freshmen classes, a further tightening of our standards, and an increase in our graduate student numbers.*
- *We are in reasonable financial shape. If the General Assembly can provide us with more funds, we will not need to increase tuition as much.*
- *The Chancellor believes it is important to offer distance education courses. We may be behind a little bit and thus need to pick up the pace. But, even at that, we will do it methodically, the right way.*

B. Provost Sharon Gaber

The Provost reported on the following:

- *Distance Education - we hope to integrate it more into campus. This educational approach may well offer us opportunities we have not yet thought of.*
- *Good turn outs for breakfast with the Provost. Good conversation and discussion.*
- *Chancellor's Retreat held at Petit Jean (Winthrop Rockefeller Center). We want to move from being a good university to a great university. We must raise the quality of our programs across campus. We know our greatness already but we want others who have voice in the rankings to see this and say it as well.*
- *Silas Hunt Legacy Awards presented in Little Rock; Four were honored who have contributed to the University of Arkansas. They include: Nolan Richardson, C.C. Mercer, Marjorie Wilkins Williams, and Rod McDavis.*
- *We need to improve our graduate rates.*
- *Academic Honesty - let's get the word out. We need to raise awareness.*
- *April 17th the University is offering a working with minors training session. Bev Lewis has helped to coordinate this.*

C. Resident Hall Learning Initiatives, Takama Statton-Brooks

- *Academic programs for residents began about 2007.*
- *Want Residence Halls to be more engaged academically, thematic learning communities within these buildings, Hog-U!*
- *Faculty are engaged with these programs. Michael Landman, one of our Senators, is in fact a Faculty in Residence, living among the students in the Residence Hall.*
- *All of these programs are of great benefit to our students.*

D. David Gay, FS Chair

- *Our next meeting will take place May 2. We will probably have a follow-up meeting May 9th.*
- *Numerous items need to be reviewed before we depart for the summer including: a report from COIA, a report on our committee structure, the Teaching Council and the APT committee.*
- *Board Policy 810 has been revised and brought to the Board via the Campus Council.*
- *Enjoyed the Chancellor's Retreat and was excited by the discussions within.*

VI. Old Business

A. **Calendar Committee** (15 minutes between classes), Marie Gentry

The Calendar committee put forward a motion, with a second from the committee, that proposes to change the course scheduling beginning Fall 2013. This motion will be voted on in our April meeting.

[Proposed Scheduling](#)

Motion to change our scheduling beginning Fall 2013 passed.

B. **Faculty Senate Executive Committee - Code of Student Life Revisions**, Monica Holland

[Handout](#)

Motion passed.

VII. New Business

A. The following items are referred by the University Course and Programs Committee and/or the Graduate Council for review and action by the Faculty Senate at its meeting scheduled for April 11, 2012:

1. Course Change Proposals:

Undergraduate Course Change, MLIT 1013, for University Core

[Table A](#)

This item was tabled until our next meeting.

2. Program Change Proposals:

Graduate Program Change Proposals:

A. Proposed graduate program change for the Department of Health, Human Performance and

Recreation – CHLPMS – MS, Masters of Science in Community Health Promotion ([Table One, Attachment 1A](#)).

Passed.

VIII. Announcements

Faculty Elections will take place through April 16th. Campus Council meeting, April 18th, ARKU 507.

IX. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 5:10.