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Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting

September 12, 2012, 3:30 p.m.
ENGR 209

Tim Kral, Chair
Linda Jones, Secretary
Minutes Status: **Approved**

Roll Call

Present:

Officers: Kral, C. Jones, L. Jones, Brady, Parry, Rosenkrans, Gay

Senators (elected): (ARCH) Wall; (ALFS) Savin, Burgos, Ahrendsen, Pereira, Ogbeide; (ARSC) Kral, Freund, Comfort, Harrington, Parry, Landman, Christiansen, Shobe, Grob-Fitzgibbon, Foley, Rhoads, Sonn, Zajicek; (WCOB) Miles, Ellstrand, Myers; (EDHP) Murphy, Orr, Mamiseishvili; (ENGR) McCann, Hall; (LAW) Brummer; (LIBR) Lehman; (At-Large) Whayne, Parker Gibson, Dennis, Jensen, Jones, Quinn, Allison.

Senators (admin): Gaber, Martin, J. Rankin, Shields, Henderson Allen, McMath, Lewis.

Absent:

Officers:

Senators (elected): (ARCH); (AFLS) Rom; (ARSC) McIntosh, Schriver; (WCOB); (EDHP) Hewitt; (ENGR) Beitle, Rossetti; (LAW); (LIBR); (At-Large) Johnson, Fort, Rupe.

Senators (admin): Gearhart, Vayda, Shannon, Roberts, Jones, P. Rankin, Smith, Leeds.

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I. Call to Order: Timothy Kral, Chair

The meeting was called to order at 3:33.

II. Roll Call

Roll was called.

III. Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved.

IV. Approval of minutes from [May 2, 2012](#)

One correction was made to the minutes (spelling of a name) and the amended minutes were approved.

V. Reports

A. Provost Sharon Gaber

Provost Gaber reported on the following:

- *Everyone is working hard; looking at how we are going to grow; construction of new buildings and so on*
- *14 faculty lines have been created for the next fiscal year; very much aware that other departments (aside from the 14 proposed for next fiscal year) need faculty lines as well*
- *August 1, Maternity/Paternity leave proposal approved*
- *Chronicle on Higher Education has classified us as a great place to work! U.S. News and World Report has ranked us as the #14 and the #9 up and coming institutions of Higher Education!*
- *Excited about proposed intersession opportunities. This is another opportunity for teaching and for supporting students' efforts to fit courses into their life schedules.*
- *Faculty Committee on a new first year course is working on a course titled RAZORQUEST. This will replace FYE. It will focus on such things as finance management, alcohol management, time management and so on...all with the goal of helping students graduate.*

B. Tim Kral, FS Chair

Chairman Kral reported on the following:

- *Today's meeting was moved from the 5th to the 12th (today) due to a scheduling conflict*
- *Charged Teaching Council to address the following by November:*
 - *New online course evaluation system*
 - *Summer class evaluations before drop date*

- *Whether or not written comments should be made available to everyone concerned*
- *Update old language found in Faculty Handbook relevant to these charges*
- *Strengthen verbiage focused on final exams*
- *Volunteers are needed for the Sustainability Council; Kathleen Lehman volunteered*
- *Steering Committee for Campus Landscape needs an additional member from the Faculty Senate; Joel Freund volunteered.*

VI. Old Business

None

VII. New Business

A. Intersessions - Calendar Committee, Jim Gigantino

The University Calendar Committee has voted to recommend to the University Faculty Senate a motion to create three new intersessions at the University of Arkansas, beginning in May 2013. These intersessions will take place in January, May, and August. Please see below for the specifics of each of their recommended proposals:

- 1) The committee recommends the attached January, May, and August intersession calendars for 2013-2017. The first intersession would begin in May 2013.
- 2) The committee recommends that students will only be able to enroll in a maximum of one lecture or lab course for a maximum of four credits. Therefore scheduling of these courses will be at the discretion of the department.
- 3) The committee recommends the elimination of the two six week summer sessions effective Summer 2013 to prevent an overlap between the May/August intersessions and the six week sessions.

This proposal comes with a second from the committee.

[Intersession Presentation](#)
[January Intersession Calendar](#)
[May Intersession Calendar](#)
[August Intersession Calendar](#)

Dr. Gigantino presented the Calendar Committee's proposal on Intersessions. A vote to accept the committee's motion will take place at the October meeting of the Faculty Senate.

B. 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 September 5, 2012:

1. Course Change Proposals

- a. Undergraduate course change proposals approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on May 18th and August 10th , 2012: [Table A](#)
- b. Graduate and Dual credit course change proposals approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on April 27th, May 18th and August 10th , 2012 and the Graduate Council on May 17th and August 16th , 2012: [Table B](#) and [Table C](#)

The course change proposals were approved.

2. Undergraduate Graduate Program Change Proposals:

- a. Proposed undergraduate program change for the Dale Bumpers College of Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences, School of Human Environmental Sciences – HESCBS – BSHEs, Bachelor of Science in Human Environmental Sciences, General Human Environmental Science Concentration ([Table One](#), Attachments [1A](#), [1A-1](#), [1A-2](#), [1A-3](#), [1A-4](#), [1A-5](#) and [1A-6](#)).
- b. Proposed undergraduate program change for the College of Engineering, Department of Biological and Agriculture Engineering – BENGBS - BSBE, Bachelor of Science in Biological Engineering ([Table Two](#), [Attachment 2A](#)).
- c. Proposed undergraduate program change for the College of Engineering, Ralph E. Martin Department of Chemical Engineering – CHEGBS – BSChE, Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering ([Table Two](#), [Attachment 2B](#)).
- d. Proposed undergraduate program change for the College of Engineering, Department of Computer Science and Computer Engineering – CSCEBA – BA, Bachelor of Arts in Computer Science ([Table Two](#), Attachments [2C](#), [2C-1](#) and [2C-2](#)).

- e. Proposed undergraduate program change for the College of Engineering, Department of Industrial Engineering – INEGBS – BSIE, Bachelor of Science in Industrial Engineering ([Table Two](#), [Attachment 2D](#)).
- f. Proposed graduate program change for the Department of Agricultural Economics and Agribusiness - AGECMS – MS, Agricultural Economics ([Table Three](#), [Attachment 3A](#)).
- g. Proposed graduate program change for the Department of Business Administration - BADMMB – MBA, Business Administration (Panama Managerial Program), ([Table Three](#), [Attachment 3B](#)).
- h. Proposed graduate program change for the Department of Business Administration - BADMPH – PhD, Business Administration (Finance Concentration – FINN); ([Table Three](#), [Attachment 3C](#)).
- i. Proposed graduate program change for the Department of Computer Science and Computer Engineering - CSCEPH – PhD, Computer Science ([Table Three](#), [Attachment 3D](#)).
- j. Proposed graduate program change for the Department of Engineering - ENGRPH – PhD, Engineering (Computer Engineering Concentration – CENG), ([Table Three](#), [Attachment 3E](#)).
- k. Proposed graduate program change for the Department of Curriculum and Instruction - CIEDME – MED, Masters of Education in Curriculum and Instruction, ([Table Three](#), Attachments [3F](#) and [3F-1](#)).
- l. Proposed graduate program change for the Graduate School and International Education, Interdisciplinary Programs - GEROGC – GC, Graduate Certificate in Gerontology, ([Table Three](#), Attachments [3G](#) and [3G-1](#)).
- m. Proposed graduate program change for the Graduate School and International Education, Interdisciplinary Programs - PUBHPPH – PhD, Public Policy, ([Table Three](#), Attachments [3H](#), [3H-1](#), [3H-2](#) and [3H-3](#)).
- n. Proposed graduate program change for the Department of World Languages, Literatures and Cultures - FRENMA – MA, French, ([Table Three](#), Attachment [3I](#)).

The program change proposals were approved.

C. Campus Council and Executive Committee Elections

The following were elected to the Campus Council and/or Executive Committee:

Executive Committee

*Tom Jensen
Cheryl Murphy
Inza Fort
Neil Allison
Douglas Rhoads*

Campus Council

*Neil Allison
Chauncey Brummer
Kathy Comfort
Norm Dennis
Inza Fort
Joel Freund
Kevin Hall
Tom Jensen
Kathleen Lehman
Cheryl Murphy
Necia Parker-Gibson
Janine Parry
Douglas Rhoads
Curt Rom
Jeannie Whyne
Anna Zajicek*

D. Honorary Degrees, Steve Sheppard (Committee of the Whole)

The Senate moved into a Committee of the Whole to discuss and vote on honorary degrees.

VIII. Announcements

None

IX. Adjourn

The meeting was adjourned at 5 p.m.