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Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting March 12, 2014, 3:30 p.m.

ENGR 209

Janine Parry, Chair Linda Jones, Secretary Minutes Status: **Approved**

Roll Call

Present:

Officers: Parry, Kral, Jones, Brady, Rupe, McComas

Senators (elected): (ARCH); (ALFS) Ahrendsen, Burgos, Savin, Pereira, Ogbeide; (ARSC) Freund, Gigantino, Korth, Parry, Christiansen, Senor, McIntosh, Foley, Schriver, Rhoads, White, Zajicek; (WCOB) Miles, Gupta, Myers; (EDHP) Montgomery, Schmidtke, Hewitt, Mamiseishvili; (ENGR) McCann, Hall; (LAW) Beard; (LIBR) Lehman; (At-Large) Murphy, Quinn, Parker-Gibson, Gay, Dennis, Jensen, Kral, Shobe, Allison.

Senators (admin): Gaber, Di Brezzo, McCray, Reyes, Shields (2), Jones, McMath, Leeds, Henderson Allen.

Absent:

Officers: Rosenkrans

Senators (elected): (ARCH) Webb; (AFLS) Rom; (ARSC) Scheide, Whayne, Sonn; (WCOB); (EDHP); (ENGR) Rossetti, Beitle; (LAW); (LIBR); (At-Large) Fort.

Senators (admin): Gearhart, Rankin, Van Laningham, Pugh, Vayda, Goodstein-Murphree, , Smith, English, Lewis.

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I. Call to Order: Janine Parry, Chair

Meeting called to order at 3:30.

II. Roll Call

Roll called by the Secretary.

III. Approval of Agenda

Agenda approved.

IV. Approval of minutes from February 12, 2014

Minutes of February 12, 2014 approved.

V. Reports

- A. Sharon Gaber, Provost The Provost reported on the following:
 - Recently returned from a successful Chancellor's Retreat Chancellor's Administrative Policy Council
 Sense of optimism and enthusiasm
 - Todd Shields is the new Dean of Fulbright College of Arts and Sciences
 - Graduate School Dean search begins soon
 - Architecture working with a potential candidate
 - Ro Di Brezzo Vice Provost for Faculty Development and Enhancement
 - Becoming a Top 50 website has been developed and is available at: http://top50.uark.edu/
 - Working towards cleaning up policies that are confusing, out-dated, and so on.
 - Opening an office for graduation and retention which will be housed in Enrollment Services; Going for Top 50 - must consider how to improve graduation rates; must help more students complete their education -Project Graduation!
- B. Jim Gigantino, Calendar Committee

Proposed Calendar 2019

Professor Gigantino introduced us to the 2019 Calendar; we will vote on this calendar during our April meeting.

C. Kelly Way, Academic Standards Committee

Committee Recommendations Powerpoint

An overview of the Committee's thoughts on the four academic items perused was given. The Chair of the Faculty Senate asked this committee to consider:

- What are the scale options.
- What does the research literature say about the transition process.
- Case studies of transitions
- Retention rates of schools with a +/- system.
- Schools and benefits of an A+ as a part of the process.
- D. Tim Kring, Committee on Committees

Committee Recommendations

Recommends that we abolish the Student Relations Committee and Modify/Amend the Academic Integrity and Code of Student Conduct Committee; we will vote on this during our April meeting.

- C. Janine Parry, FS Chair The Chair reported on the following:
 - The Chancellor's Retreat was wonderful; Janine and John Rupe co-presented on faculty needs <u>power point</u> presentation
 - Congratulations to Ro Di Brezzo and Todd Shields for their promotions/new positions.
 - Thank you to Dennis Brewer for the syllabus project in ISIS. The program is now up and running; upload only PDFs.
 - Attendance policy for lower level courses is under review. Let Janine know your opinions on this

VI. Old Business

None

VII. New Business

A. Consent Agenda

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 March 12, 2014:

- 1. Course Change Proposals:
 - a. Undergraduate course change proposals approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on February 28, 2014 Table A
 - b. Graduate and dual credit course change proposals approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on January 24, 2014 and the Graduate Council on February 20, 2014 <u>Table B</u> and <u>Table C</u>
- 2. Undergraduate Program Change Proposals approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on February 20, 2014:
 - a. Proposed undergraduate program change for the Dale Bumpers College of Agriculture, Food and Life Sciences, Department of Agriculture Dean AFLS-M Minor, Agricultural, Food and Life Sciences (<u>Table One</u>, Attachments <u>1A</u> and <u>1A-1</u>).
 - b. Proposed undergraduate program change for the Dale Bumpers College of Agriculture, Food and Life Sciences, Department of Poultry Sciences POSCBS BSA, Poultry Science (<u>Table One</u>, <u>Attachment 1B</u>).
 - c. Proposed undergraduate program change for the Dale Bumpers College of Agriculture, Food and Life Sciences, School of Human Environmental Sciences HDFSBS-CDEV BSHES, Human Development and Family Sciences Child Development Concentration ($\underline{\text{Table One}}$, Attachments $\underline{\text{1C}}$, $\underline{\text{1C-1}}$ and $\underline{\text{1C-2}}$).
 - d. Proposed undergraduate program change for the Dale Bumpers College of Agriculture, Food and Life Sciences, School of Human Environmental Sciences FHNHBS-DIET-GFNU BSHES, Foods, Human Nutrition and Hospitality Dietetics, and General Foods and Nutrition Concentrations (Table One, Attachments 1D and 1D-1).
 - e. Proposed undergraduate program change for the Dale Bumpers College of Agriculture, Food and Life Sciences, School of Human Environmental

Sciences - FHNHBS-HRMN - BSHES, Foods, Human Nutrition and Hospitality - Hospitality and Restaurant Management Concentration (<u>Table One</u>, Attachments <u>1E</u> and <u>1E-1</u>).

- 3. Proposed Law School Graduate program change approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on February 20, 2014:
 - a. School of Law Dean CRLWGC Graduate Certificate in Criminal Law (<u>Table Two</u>, Attachments <u>2A</u> and <u>2A-1</u>).
- 4. Graduate Program Change Proposals approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on January 24, 2014 and the Graduate Council on February 20, 2014:
 - a. Proposed graduate program change for the Graduate School and International Education Interdisciplinary Studies MEPHMS MS, Microelectronics-Photonics (<u>Table Three</u>, <u>Attachment 3A</u>).
 - b. Proposed graduate program change for the Department of Mathematical Sciences and the Graduate School and International Education STATMS MS, Statistics (<u>Table Three</u>, Attachments <u>3B</u>, <u>3B-1</u>, <u>3B-2</u> and <u>3B-3</u>).
- 5. Graduate Program Change Proposals approved by the University Course and Programs Committee on November 22, 2013 and the Graduate Council on December 19, 2013:
 - a. Proposed graduate program change for the Department of Economics ECONPH PhD, Economics (<u>Table Three</u>, <u>Attachment 3C</u>).

All items of the Consent Agenda approved.

VIII. Announcements

- A. Mike Huddleston, <u>Faculty Assistance Program</u> This program is for faculty and graduate assistants. It provides free counseling to employees, spouses and children. 8 sessions per person, per issue for free.
- B. Campus Council Meeting April 10, 3:30, Mullins 104.
- C. Campus Faculty Meeting April 16, 3:30, Giffels Auditorium Shane Broadway, Director of Higher Education will be the speaker.
- D. Nominations Deadline nominations for Faculty Governance positions deadline, Monday, March 17th, St. Patty's day!
- E. Wally Cordes Memorial Service, Friday, March 14, 1:30, Giffels Auditorium
- F. Ro Do Di Brezzo commented on the great leadership we have in Janine Parry and John Rupe and the wonderful work they did at the Chancellor's Retreat.

IX. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 4:40 p.m.