

Faculty Senate Minutes January 10, 2017

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3:15 – 3:30 p.m.

Better Know a Colleague (informal gathering, optional)

3:30 – 5 p.m.

Business Meeting

- 1. Call to order 15:30
- Call of the roll (by circulation of sign-in sheet): Joel Alexander, Paul Disney, Michael Phillips, Lyra Behnke, Elisa Maroney, Bob Hautala, Jennifer Taylor, Kit Andrews, Michael Baltzley, Cheryl Beaver, Laurie Burton, Amy Harwell, Kimberly Jensen, Shaun Huston, Isidore Lobnibe, Ken Carano, Chloe Hughes, Marie LeJeune, Sue Kunda, Jaime Marroquin Ex-officio in attendance: Adele Schepige, Stephen Scheck
- 3. Corrections to and approval of minutes from previous meeting
 - No corrections, minutes approved as posted
- 4. Institutional Reports
 - 4.1. Adele Schepige, Faculty Senate President
 - See posted report
 - 4.2. Rex Fuller, University President
 - No report today
 - 4.3. Stephen Scheck, University Provost
 - See posted report
 - Expressed gratitude to faculty in remaining so flexible final exam week fall term
 - Provost Scheck relayed several items from President Fuller:
 - Legislative sessions and Governor's recommended budget
 - Currently for public universities, Governor recommended budget calls for \$665 million for public universities
 - Presidents asking for \$100 million more to hold tuition increases to 5% or below
 - \$665 does not account for PERS, PEBB changes
 - Thursday a TV news crew will be on campus to film about the WOU Voyager Program
 - Assistance program for Oregon reserves and Marine reserves caught up in a GI benefits technicality because their call up duty was not in a war zone
 - WOU partnering The Dream USA for scholarships for Deferred Action for Childhood Arrival students for those barred from locked outstates. Contact Dave McDonald for more information.
 - Summer school pre-enrollment and summer session times
 - Registrar's office studies summer session for the past year. Result: Change in how summer sessions work to maintain compliance with federal government for Federal Financial Aid.



- Strategic Planning
 - Town Hall meeting for Strategic Planning (January 19th at 3:30 pm in Willamette Room)
 - Connected to aspiring excellence in academic programs: Launching program reviews next year -will bring a proposed process to Faculty Senate for input. Also will be reviewed by deans and division chairs.
- ULOs update provided
 - 85% of General Education course goals are in; target was 100% by Dec. 31st
 - Several noticeable areas of noncompliance that will need to be rectified; Dr. Sue Monahan will be following up with those areas.
- Faculty not turning in grades
 - Charts of patterns of missing grades (faculty members not turning in grades) at ends of terms will be forwarded onto deans
 - Over the past year have seen missing grade frequency go up
 - Question to the provost about program review process- note that this would happen every once in seven years and more information will come
- Military Absence policy draft: Behavioral Sciences concerned about it aligning well with Disabilities, also some time frames brought up could be strange
 - Changes in yellow
 - Originally ten consecutive days, now is 10 days
 - Equivalent in summer session
 - If absence would disrupt how class works, give a get out of jail card, can get into class next time it is taught without having to re-enroll
- Summer Term: Q&A with Senators
 - o Structure based upon what's already in existence
 - Every time a student adds or drops a course, have work that has to be done to be sure that students receive adequate aid based on attendance
 - One week sessions: do they not follow federal guidelines?
 - A lot of one week courses offered between end of spring and end of summer
 - That week becomes very difficult to manage
 - If allow for courses to happen between two terms, have to know what grades are, don't get grades until week in between
 - Have to do academic progress, get aid Thursday or Friday and then courses are done
 - Can't guarantee student would have aid eligibility
 - Don't get through processing until end of week
 - Don't get grades until Wednesday morning
- Could be that these courses have to think creatively or deliver online
 - Ultimate outcome is that provost will not permit WOU to run summer sessions out of compliance with Federal Department of Education rules.
 - 4.3.1. Military Absence Policy for Students
 - Input from comments and emails
 - Ask for Faculty Senate endorsement
 - Would then move onto policy council for review
 - Will get posted to public policy page
 - Moved to endorse policy, approved
 - Action: Policy endorsed by Faculty Senate



5. Consideration of Old Business

- 5.1. WOU Criteria for Awarding Emeritus, Faculty Senate Executive Committee Discussion items:
 - Be able to re-review emeritus status and what that process should be
 - Amount of time of service to WOU should there be minimum number of years?
 - NTT can be considered for this?
 - Humanities department. had concerns
 - Clarification on parking permit
 - Clarification on nomination—self or from PRC
 - Natural Science division was in favor of reviewing all recent retirees and last few annual reports
 - Won't have to worry about nominating and self-nominating
 - If an automatic review: Are instances where person does not want name associated with former university
 - Would have to be contacted
 - Executive Committee can revise and bring back one more time
 - email Adele with any comments, questions or suggestions
 - Could have shell policy which refers back to division PRCs, division PRCs could decide how they want to approach procedures
 - Would not require too much modification but would reference back to division PRCs
 - How many times can someone be nominated for review for Emeritus status?
 - Can appeal if bad decision, but another nomination down the road would not be possible
 - Appeal would go to University PRC
 - Social Science would like clear articulation of what problem is being addressed
 - Prior cases of nominating more than once, self-nomination and off campus individuals nominating someone,
 - Why isn't this being dealt with through contract?
 - Retired faculty are not part of collective bargaining contract.
 - Action: Move to table, approved
- 6. Consideration of New Business
 - 6.1. Youth Crime Studies new program curriculum proposal (P3958)
 - Vivian Djokotoe, Social Sciences: Criminal Justice
 - Minor in youth crime studies
 - Criminal justice recognizes youth and adults as two different categories
 Don't have anything that prepares students for working with youth
 - Youth crime study is deficient across the sate
 - Biggest issue is students come from community colleges
 - Have started program in juvenile justice studies and arrive here to find there is not a program at WOU
 - Mostly CJ majors but has not been designed to exclude any others who would like to take it
 - Credits are primarily in CJ have some in Sociology (Consulted with Sociology)
 - All existing courses, just packaging them together
 - Students in CJ now divided, approximately 50% want to work with youth
 - Adolescent Psychology not on list but could be included

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- 7. Informational Presentations and Committee Reports
 - 7.1. WOU Community Internship Program, Kathryn Plummer, Service Learning and Career Development
 - Accessible to all students, faculty and staff to participate
 - Internships are one of best ways for students to apply academic knowledge while developing professional skills
 - Some barriers for students to participate in internship experiences
 - Social access to network and knowledge
 - Funding
 - Transportation
 - Internships paid \$10 per hour for a 10 week internship
 - Advisory Committee that reviews proposals
 - Still striving to have geared towards populations with barriers
 - First generation college students
 - Overall have seen huge diversity of departments involved
 - Three ways to be involved:
 - Be a supervisor (or encourage colleagues to)
 - Encourage students to look at positions they are interested in
 - Serving in Advisory Committee
 - Looking for new Advisory Committee for 17-18
 - Open to undergraduate, graduate and international students
 - Timeline to submit proposals
 - Internships offered every winter and spring term
 - Deadline for proposals in Monday, Jan. 23rd
 - Shared internship examples: policy council, Foster Success, Biology lab assistants.
 - 7.2. ASWOU Senate Accessibility Resolution, ASWOU Senate
 - Asked to be moved to next meeting

Announcements

7.3. Dan Clark, Center for Academic Innovation

- Sue Monahan: Working on verification of 180 credit degree programs
 - Sue working individually with department. heads
 - Will send email out inviting to set up appointment
 - Will look at program assessment plans
 - In preparation for fall report, want to be sure program plans represent most recent program outcomes
 - 85% of General Education course goals in
 - In process of looking at data
 - Will be seeing use of this quite quickly
- Community lectures
 - o Next Tuesday
 - Recommended reading list about retention
 - Still booking winter and spring dates
- 8. Adjournment at: 16:55

5 – 5:15 p.m.

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