

Academic Senate

Tuesday, May 10, 2011

Minutes

Approval of Agenda

-m/s, C. Burriss, K. LaBonte.

Approval of the Minutes of April 19, 2011

-m/s, A. Jimenez, S. Kelly.

Thank you to Beth Hartung

-Cindy Wyels read a proclamation and gave a gift to Beth Hartung in appreciation for her work as Senate Chair for the past three years.

Report from the Provost

-Provost Neuman acknowledged the work of the *Fiscal Policies Committee* this past year. She added that she takes the committee's recommendations very seriously when working on budget allocations.

Report from the Senate Chair

-Chair Hartung announced the results of the Senate Officer Elections:

James Meriwether, Academic Senate Chair

Cindy Wyels, Vice Chair

Andrea Grove, Secretary

Antonio Jiménez-Jiménez, At-large member (2 year term)

Jeanne Grier, At-large member (1 year term)

Kaia Tollefson, Statewide Representative

Report from the Statewide Senators

-J. Meriwether reported that at the last Statewide Meeting there were ongoing discussions about the budget, about SB 1440 and transfer/ graduation requirements.

Consent Item

Academic Calendar 2014-2015

Passed

First Reading Items

SR 10-03: Commendation for Dr. Stephen Lefevre

-m/s, G. Wood, S. Kelly. B. Hartung read aloud the commendation and Dr. Lefevre received a standing ovation.

-All in favor of this resolution by proclamation.

SR 10-04: Commendation for Dr. Alex McNeill

-K. Tollefson read the commendation aloud, Dr. McNeill was not in attendance.

Second Reading Items

SP 10-11: Minor in Robotics Engineering

-P. Smith recommended three small changes related to units, and electives, the changes were made on the screen.

-A.J. Bieszczad recommended adding Comp. 491, a 1 unit class, as a requirement, the recommendation was accepted by the Curriculum Committee.

Vote on policy taken by show of hands:

Passed Unanimously

SP 10-12: Certificate Program Requirements

-P. Hampton explained the revised language and stated that all certificates were in compliance with the new policy.

Vote on policy taken by show of hands:

Passed Unanimously

Reports

Kathryn Leonard: New website on Undergraduate Research Possibilities

-K. Leonard exhibited a new website which will allow faculty to list all the student research opportunities, conference opportunities, as well as funding options. There will also be a section for completed projects.

Dan Wakelee: STARS and Sustainability

-D. Wakelee and J. Gormley co-chair the *Sustainability Task Force*. He reported on STARS, sustainability tracking and assessment rating system. They have collected information about sustainability on campus and are in the process of finalizing a sustainability plan.

Announcements

-K. Tollefson reported on the *Social Justice Conference* held on campus with 282 participants which is double the amount from last year.

-C. Burriss invited everyone to the Performing Arts performance scheduled for the following day at 1:30 p.m. in Mal 140.

-J. Yudelson reminded everyone that CFA elections would begin the following day via Blackboard.

Adjourn

-The meeting concluded with Beth Hartung handing over her gavel and copy of Robert's Rules to Jim Meriwether.

-3:32 pm