

**Minutes of Faculty Senate
October 9, 2015**

Present: Ambrose, Alex, Branson, Baker, Combs, Commissiong, Craig, , DeButte, DeOtte, Fiaud, Hartin, King, Klaehn, Lust, Meredith, Ottoson, Shao, and Stuntz, Blodgett, Dursun-Kilic, Hartin.

Absent: Wilson, Hindman, Crandall, Lee, Choon-Ha, Osei-Hwere.

Guests: Leigh Green substituting for (Hindman)

Meeting called to order at 12:15pm in Room 14 (Eternal Flame) of the Jack B. Kelley Student Center.

1. Minutes approved
 - a. Approved as amended.

2. Old business
 - a. Constitutional Committee
 - i. More info on new college for representation. Constitution says that currently 4 representatives each. Check with Jarvis for number of full time faculty for each college, as well as adjuncts.
 - ii. Recommendation for officers in faculty senate should be tenured.
 - iii. Adjunct representation:
 1. Invite a non-voting adjunct representative.
 2. No consensus on definition of adjunct.
 - iv. Standing committees are part of bylaws so no need for vote.
 1. Maybe think about having a nominating committee.
 2. Should we add “and need to report to the executive council of the faculty senate”.
 - a. Question of existence of “standing committee for faculty development and student learning...”
 3. Motion to dissolve the standing committee for faculty development and student learning
 - a. Blodgett, 2nd De Otte
 - b. 1 oppose, 3 abstain, all others for; motion passed
 4. Committee for budget and faculty governance
 - a. Motion to dissolve the committee
 - b. Blodgett, 2nd King
 - c. Discussion: why get rid of something that could be useful later on? Committee can remain inactive. Some senators have reluctance of having committees on the books but no work is done. Maybe give it a 1 year try to populate the committee and see what they do. It seems like the only duties is oversight of the bylaws and communication to the departments. Maybe we should separate and split into 2 committees, one for bylaws and one for communication?
 - d. 0 oppose, 6 abstain, 12 for; motion passed
 5. Standing committee for Assessment , advising, conduct, etc....
 - a. Motion to dissolve
 - i. Commissiong, 2nd Meredith

- ii. 3 abstain, 0 oppose, 15 for; motion passed
 - 6. Motion to add bylaws committee (standing committee)
 - a. Early spring to assess bylaws to see if changes be made and bring it to senate to make appropriate changes; Report at 1st meeting in February. Senate needs to give recommendation to faculty handbook committee
 - b. 0 against, 1 abstain, 17 for; motion passed
 - c. Robert King (chair Bylaws committee), choose up to 4 more people (Hartman, Craig).
 - d. Next meeting will vote on wording.
 - b. Report: Neil Meredith: Payment letters
 - i. Sent a letter to the registrar. Stuntz followed up with Dr. O'Brien.
 - ii. Motion to send the letter to the registrar
 - 1. Commissioning, Lust 2nd
 - iii. unanimous
 - c. Piper professor nominations
 - i. 1 name: Dr. Ann Macey (college of business). No answer from her yet.
 - ii. Talk to your department.
 - d. Other
 - i. School of engineering
3. New Business
 - a. Replace Mark Bartley on the student Fee advisory
 - i. From the school of Music to approve the person chosen by the school of music.
 - ii. Motion to approve
 - 1. Commissioning, Lust
 - iii. Discussion:
 - iv. Revised Motion to move election of representative of school of music by email
 - 1. Motion passed
 - b. Elect someone for the wellness council
 - i. Vanessa Fiand elected
 - c. School of Engineering election
4. Announcements
 - a. Stuntz
 - i. Going to council of faculty senate next week. Will report on it.

The meeting of Faculty Senate was adjourned at 1:06 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Vanessa A. Fiand, Secretary

