

**Faculty Senate**  
**Washburn University**

*Minutes of November 14, 2005 Meeting*  
*Kansas Room, Memorial Union*

Present: Bahner, Baker, Borden, Boyd, Camarda, Carpenter, Cassell, Concannon, Donner, Evans, Godman, Jacobs (President), Khan, Liang, Lockwood, Manske, McGuire, Meador, Nobo, Ockree, Patzel, Pownell, Ray, Renn-Scanlan, Roach, Russell, C. Schmidt, S. Schmidt, L. Smith

- I. The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:31 PM.
- II. The minutes of the October 24th, 2005 Faculty Senate meeting were approved.
- III. The President's Report was given.
  - A. The President reminded the attendees that all action items must be submitted to the Faculty Senate Secretary as properly formatted agenda items.
- IV. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents.
  - A. The President announced that the Board of Regents approved the following:
    1. Renovation of the Washburn Endowment Association office project at 1729 SW MacVicar not to exceed \$2 million;
    2. Phase II of the Moore Bowl renovation, which includes installation of artificial turf on the football field and refurbishment of the track with a multi-purpose surface. The main source of funding to be alum donations.
    3. Revision of the Business and Financial Affairs Handbook; and
    4. Employee Wellness Program as recommended by an ad hoc committee of the Benefits Committee.
- V. Faculty Senate Committee Reports.
  - A. The motion to receive the minutes of the Academic Affairs Committee (AAC) for 09/26/2005 and 10/03/2005 was passed.
  - B. A motion was made to strike from the minutes of the Faculty Affairs Committee (FAC) of 10/31/2005 a portion of section II.A.. The section to be stricken reads, "and it is the responsibility of the FAC to make arrangements so that at least one faculty senator is currently seated on these committees. The FAC should generally oversee the Faculty committees. It is the responsibility of Faculty committees to report their minutes to the FAC." The motion was passed. The motion was then made to receive the minutes of the FAC for 09/26/2005 and 10/31/2005 (as amended), which included the nominations regarding the Academic Sabbatical Committee. The motion passed.
- VI. University Committee Minutes.
  - A. The motion to receive the minutes of the Major Research Review Grant Committee for 10/11/2005 and of the Board of Student Publications for 08/26/2005 and 09/09/2005 was passed.

VII. Old Business.

- A. The motion to approve the proposed Modification of the Final Exam Schedule (#05-05) unanimously failed. It was recommended that alternatives (e.g., extending the final exam week) should be sought.
- B. The motion to approve the program changes to the Pure Mathematics track (#05-07) and the Math for Secondary Teaching track (#05-08) was passed.
- C. The motion to approve the proposal for the formation of an Academic Integrity Committee (#05-03), as revised by the AAC, was passed.

VIII.. New Business – There was no New Business.

IX. Discussion Items.

- A. Discussion was given to the need for Faculty Senators to serve on various committees. The following individuals volunteered for committee assignments:
  - Candy Bahner, Cecil Schmidt, and Mike Russell – TE Implementation Committee
  - Mo Godman – General Education
  - David Pownell – Academic Calendar
  - Gary Baker – University Promotion and Tenure Standards
  - Karen Camarda – Undergraduate Probation and Reinstatement
- B. It was proposed that all faculty members serving on the Transformational Experience Implementation Committee should be awarded reassigned time equivalent to one course per year. The recommendation passed and will be forwarded to Vice President Wasserstein.

X. Announcements.

- A. It was noted that the AAC is examining and discussing the proposed changes to the General Education program. Despite a campus wide announcement, few comments have been made. The Senators were encouraged to talk to their colleagues about this issue. Any comments and considerations should be emailed to Bill Roach, Secretary to the AAC.

XI. The meeting was adjourned at 4:51 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Mike Russell, Secretary to the Faculty Senate