## Faculty Senate Washburn University

## Minutes of April 28, 2008 Meeting Kansas Room, Memorial Union

Present: Baker, Bayens, Bowen (VPAA), Boyd, Camarda, Chorba, Concannon, Croucher, DePue, Jackson, Jacobs (President), Liang, Lockwood, Lunte, Melick (proxy for Renn-Scanlan), Nobo, Ockree, Peterson, Ramirez, Roach, Russell, C. Schmidt, Sharafy, Shipley, C. Sullivan, S. Sullivan, Walker

- I. The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:34 PM.
- II. The minutes of the April 14th, 2008 Faculty Senate meeting were approved.
- III. President's Opening Remarks.
  - A. President Jacobs reported that one of the reasons for the day's meeting was to apprise the Senators of the lack of clarity that seems to exist as to who sets the agenda for the General Faculty meeting.
  - B. President Jacobs asked those in attendance to consider how swiftly the action items on today's agenda (assuming they are approved) should be brought to the attention of the General Faculty.
- IV. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents.
  - A. There has been no Board of Regents meeting since the last Faculty Senate meeting.
- V. Faculty Senate Committee Reports.
  - A. The minutes of the Academic Affairs Committee meeting of 03/31/2008 were received.
  - B. The minutes of the Faculty Affairs Committee meeting of 04/07/2008 were received.
- VI. University Committee Minutes.
  - A. The minutes of the International Education Committee meeting of 04/10/2008 were accepted.
- VII. Old Business.
  - A. Brief discussion was given to action item #08-02, entitled "Three-year review cycle for the Washburn Transformational Experience." So that the questions and concerns of those in attendance could be addressed, the motion was made to table the item until the next (May 12, 2008) Faculty Senate meeting. The motion was seconded and passed.
  - B. The motion to approve action item #08-03, "Proposed Change in the Faculty Senate Constitution," was seconded and passed.
  - C. The various changes and deletions and new programs nested with action item #08-04, "ED CIS PS HPE new programs and program changes and deletions," were individually considered. All of the items were approved. In addition, the majority of those in attendance agreed that every attempt should be made to get this action item on the agenda of this Friday's General Faculty meeting. The

majority of those in attendance also agreed that the portion of the action item relating to MA 104 should be placed on the Fall General Faculty agenda.

- VIII. New Business.
  - A. There was no New Business.
- IX. Information Items.
  - A. It was announced that a faculty compensation plan has been created for the supervision of Creative & Scholarly WTE projects. The plan will be voted upon at the committee's next meeting.
  - B. It was reported that the joint appointments policy in the faculty handbook is distinct from that approved by the General Faculty. Attempts are being made to determine when and why the changes were made.
- X. The meeting was adjourned at 4:53 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Mike Russell, Secretary to the Faculty Senate