

**Faculty Senate
Washburn University**

*Minutes of May 11, 2009
Kansas Room, Memorial Union*

Present: Arterburn, Averett, Barker, Berry, Bowen (VPAA), Byrne, Camarda, Croucher, Faulkner, Fry, Janzen, Kaufman, Kelly, Kerchner, Khan, Lockwood, Lunte, Manske, Mazachek, McGuire, Melick, Menzie, Naylor, Patzel, Prasch (President), Quinn, Ray, Routsong, Russell, C. Schmidt, S. Schmidt, Sharafy, Shaver, Shipley, Sullivan, Unruh, Wunder

- I. The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:33 PM.
- II. The minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting of April 13, 2009 were approved.
- III. President's Opening Remarks.
 - A. Prasch first outlined the voting procedures for incoming and outgoing members of the Senate.
 - B. He reported that most of the division elections had been conducted and that several of the new senators were at the meeting.
 - C. He also announced the winners of the Strategic Planning committee elections (Stephen Angel, Donna Lalonde, and Kim Morse) and announced that the Senate will soon have its own MyWashburn channel.
- IV. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents.
 - A. Prasch stated that the Board was not scheduled to meet until Friday, May 15.
- V. Faculty Senate Committee Reports.
 - A. Minutes from the Electoral Committee meeting of April 10, 2009 were approved.
 - B. Minutes from the Faculty Affairs Committee meeting of March 30, 2009 were approved.
 - C. Minutes from the Academic Affairs Committee meeting of May 8, 2009 were approved.
- VI. University Committee Minutes.
 - A. Minutes from the Faculty Development Committee meeting of March 6, 2009 were accepted.
 - B. Minutes from the Faculty Development Committee meeting of April 3, 2009 were accepted.
 - C. Minutes from the International Education Committee meeting of April 16, 2009 were accepted.
 - D. Minutes from the Assessment Committee meeting of Jan. 30, 2009 were accepted.
 - E. Minutes from the Assessment Committee meeting of Feb. 20, 2009 were accepted.
- VII. Old Business.
 - A. In regard to the Transfer of International Baccalaureate Coursework (Action Item 09-07), senators agreed the item should be passed in for the sake of competitiveness as well as to facilitate transfer credits. A motion was made to vote on the item, the motion was accepted, and senators voted. The item passed.
 - B. A motion was made to discuss the College of Arts and Sciences Academic Affairs Committee proposal (Action Item 09-03). The motion passed and discussion began with Prasch and Kaufman both acknowledging that the composition of the AAC has been brought up every year since the senate's inception. It was stated that the proposal was a

compromise since it does not demand one to one representation and that it evens out issues of dominance from the College. A motion was made to vote on the item. Sixteen senators voted in favor of the item and 11 voted against it. The item did not pass because a 2/3 supermajority is required for changes in the constitution and sixteen votes in favor did not suffice.

- C. Senator Ray called for a substitute motion to make a friendly amendment to the Notification of Infraction—Academic Impropriety Form (Action Item 09-06). She requested that in item E of the notification the “record names” should be removed. A motion was made to approve the change and it passed. Ray stressed the fact that the Academic Integrity Committee believes the form should pass because students currently perceive that there is a different standing for handling the various academic impropriety cases. It was also mentioned that University attorney Ken Hackler views the possibility of the faculty having a list of names of students with infractions a potential violation of FERPA. VPPA Bowen said that she does not disagree with having a list since she thinks it is important for the university to have a record of the types and volume of infractions so the university can educate students about infractions and therefore stop them. A list would be important to verify if a student is a repeat offender. Ray said the committee will regroup and figure out a way to create a list. She also stated that although the form will be optional, the committee was going to go ahead and submit the form. A motion was then made to vote on the item, it passed, and the item passed.

VIII. New Business.

The election of senate officers for the 2009-2010 academic year took place. The senate reelected Tom Prasch (CAS) as President and Gene Wunder (SOB) as Vice President. Senators voted Vickie Kelly (SAS) in as Secretary and Rick Barker (CAS) as Parliamentarian. The aforementioned officers will also serve on the Executive Committee along with Sue Unruh (SON) and Janet Jackson (SOL).

IX. Information Items. There were none.

X. Discussion Items.

- A. The FAC brought it to the Senate’s attention that it had voted to have a committee of the faculty reviewing the Washburn Transformational Experience and wondered whether this committee was supposed to be reviewing it this spring. The FAC recommends that the Faculty Senate, upon reviewing the minutes, begin organizing this WTE committee during the Fall Semester.
- B. Some senators inquired into the status of the Vote of No Confidence and Prasch stated the BOR was aware of the outcome since it was in the senate minutes. He added that official notification had been forwarded to both VPs.

I. Announcements. There were none.

II. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 4:18 PM.