

**Faculty Senate  
Washburn University**

*Minutes of April 11, 2011  
Kansas Room, Memorial Union*

Present: Arterburn, Barker, Bird, Blank, Croucher, Dodge, Edwards, Fry, Gabelmann, Griffin, Jacobs, Janzen, Kelly, Kowalski, Lunte, Mazachek, Melick, Menzie, Pilgram, Rich, Roach, Routsong, Sharafy, Shaver, Wagner, Weigand, Wohl

- I. The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:32 PM. Russ Jacobs presiding.
- II. The minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting of March 14, 2011 were approved.
- III. President's Opening Remarks.  
The President reported that a recommendation had been received from a representative to discuss a proposal for "fairness first" funding, should the University received a budget cut as proposed by the State of Kansas. After discussion, it was forwarded to the FAC for discussion.
- IV. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents  
Jacobs reported that the BoR has not meet since the last meeting. They will meet again on April 22. The BoR budget activity seems to be on hold until final budget numbers have been set for WU.
- V. Faculty Senate Committee Reports –
  - A. Faculty Affairs Committee Minutes of March 7, 2011 were approved.
  - B. Academic Affairs Committee Minutes of February 24, 2011 were approved.
  - C. Academic Affairs Committee Minutes of March 10, 2011 were approved.
  - D. A brief report from the Electoral Committee reported that the at-large election has been completed and Steve Angel was elected. Divisions and schools are continuing their elections for 2011-2012. Senators were reminded to have personnel submit names as soon as possible to the FS secretary.
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- VI. University Committee Minutes
  - A. Minutes of the Assessment Committee meeting of February 11, 2011 were accepted.
  - B. Minutes of the Interdisciplinary Committee meeting of March 10, 2011 were accepted.
  - C. Minutes of the International Education Committee meeting of November 18, 2010 were accepted.
  - D. Minutes of the International Education Committee meeting of February 24, 2011 were accepted.
  - E. Minutes of the International Education Committee meeting of March 31, 2011 were accepted.
- VII. Old Business. –
  - A. 11-11 Change to the Board of Student Media Constitution – Passed
  - B. 11-12 IS 171 Proposal – Passed with the following modification: ADDED: *No more than four (4) credit hours of IS 170-174 can be earned by a student.*

- C. 11-13 IS 172 Proposal – After discussion about topic specific research projects, the proposal was amended by the following: REWRITTEN: Line Three of Course Description **from:** *This course is ideal for students who are interested in designing a research plan for publication* **to:** *This course is ideal for students that are interested in tools and skills that facilitate development of an upper-level research plan.* The proposal was also amended to add the following restriction: *No more than four (4) credit hours of IS 170-174 can be earned by a student.* After a successful motion to close debate, the proposal as amended passed.
  - D. 11-14 IS 173 Proposal – Passed with modification: ADDED: *No more than four (4) credit hours of IS 170-174 can be earned by a student.*
  - E. 11- 15 IS 174 Proposal – Passed with modification: ADDED: *No more than four (4) credit hours of IS 170-174 can be earned by a student.*
  - F. 11-16 Baccalaureate Credit Hour Revisions – Passed
  - G. 11-17 Online Curriculum Approval – Passed
- VIII. New Business – No new business was reported.
- IX. Information Items –
- A. Reminder that Apeiron is April 22.
  - B. Reminder to read the IT Task Force report that was sent out for comment.
- X. Discussion Items: No discussion items
- XI. Announcements: Next meeting is May 11. New members will join the FS at the end of old business and elect officers for next year.
- XII. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:57 pm