

**Faculty Senate
Washburn University**

*Minutes of November 8, 2010
Kansas Room, Memorial Union*

Present: Arterburn, Averett, Barker, Bird, Blank, Croucher, Dodge, Fernengel, Fry, Gonzalez-Abellas, Jacobs, Kelly, Kowalski, Lunte, Mazachek, McBeth, Melick, Menzie, Morse, Ramirez, Roach, Routsong, Sanchez, Shaver, Sheldon, Stover, Tate (VPAA), Wagner, Weigand, Guests: Mullican, Hupp, Peterson

- A. The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:31 PM. Russ Jacobs presiding.
- B. The minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting of October 25, 2010 were approved.
- C. President's Opening Remarks.
President Jacobs reported to the Senate that Dean Alan Bearman will attend the December meeting of the faculty senate. President Jacobs also reported that he had visited with Dean Roxanne Kelly of Washburn Institute of Technology, and due to different employment requirements, there was problem with a faculty representative attending faculty senate meetings. Dean Kelly suggested Associate Dean Gabelmann would be available. After discussion, the faculty senate informally approved that an invitation be extended to Asst Dean Gabelmann to keep faculty senate up to date on activities at WU.
- D. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents.
VP Roach reported that he attended the BoR audit meeting and full meeting. Roach reported that the regents addressed the whistleblower policy in both meetings, and that the tone of the meeting had changed from a strong policy to a minimal policy. The auditors recommend that a policy be initiated, but at this time it will be a weaker policy with general recommendations to see the faculty council concerning reporting.
- E. Faculty Senate Committee Reports –
No minutes were submitted.
- F. University Committee Minutes
 - a. International Education/ International WTE Meeting minutes of September 16, 2010 were accepted.
Senators discussed the minutes, including that the committee was looking at making travel funds available to full-time lecturers. After discussion, the senate was concerned that there are different definitions for lecturer across the university. The matter was referred to the Faculty Affairs Committee.
- G. Old Business.
 - a. 10-20 Revision of Honors Advisory Members Terms – approved by faculty senate
 - b. 10-21 Proposal to move CLS from CAS to SAS – approved by faculty senate
- H. New Business – no new business reported
- I. Information Items
 - a. Matt Arterburn, Chair of the FAC, distributed a draft of the electronic voting mechanism developed by FAC for voting by general faculty. It

will be sent electronically for comment. The senate asked for clarification on who will tally electronic votes and what is a major or minor item. The FAC will continue to work on the draft.

President Jacobs offered thanks to both Academic Affairs committee and Faculty Affairs committee for all their hard work so far this year.

- J. Discussion Items - none
- K. Announcements –none
- L. Adjournment: the meeting was adjourned at 4:29 pm