



FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

September 13, 2018

MEMBERS - Alphabetically

David Aguilar-Alvarez
Aaron Ashley
Brody Bailey
Jason Barrett-Fox
Tracy Callahan
Minsum Choi
Vikki Deakin
Bruce Davis
Mark Denniston
Andrea Easter-Pilcher
Chis Eisenbarth
David Ferro
Wendy Fox-Kirk
Doris Geide-Stevenson
Scott Hadzik.
Frank Harrold
Ed Hahn
Sue Harley
Tim Herzog
Wendy Holliday
Rieneke Holman
Dan Hubler
Justin Jackson
Adam Johnston
Connor Jones - Absent
Mark LeTourneau
Marek Matyjasik
Madonne Miner
Cory Moss
Cora Neal

Casey Neville
Blake Nielson
Kacy Peckenpaugh
Brett Perozzi
Travis Price
Clay Rasmussen
Jack Rasmussen
David Read
Rob Reynolds
Bill Robertson
Ann Rocha
Yas Simonian
Mohammad Sondossi
Scott Sprenger
Jeff Steagall
Amy Stegen
Sarah Steimel
Norm Tarbox
John Trimble
Hugo Valle
Glen West
Mary Beth Willard
Stephen Wolochowicz
Catherine Zublin

Guests: Craig Oberg, Brian Rague, Molly Sween,

Administrative Associate: Patti Glover

1. ROLL CALL – Brent Horn replaced Vikki Deakin who stepped down from her appointment. Dan Hubler replaced Pam Payne who is no longer with the University
2. Approval of the minutes from the [April 12, 2018](#) meeting. Approved as circulated
3. Administrative Update – Norm Tarbox, Interim President –
 - a. Northern Utah Academy for Math, Engineering and Science (NUAMES) charter school is now holding classes at Weber State University's Ogden campus.
 - b. Overall University enrollment is up about 1% this fall. There is hope that tuition collections go up more than 1% so there is money [to](#) address urgent campus needs.
 - c. Changes have been made to the awarding of scholarships; changes include a maximum scholarship amount, which is lower than previously awarded. College level meetings are being scheduled with deans and chairs regarding their college.
 - d. Construction Update: Ribbon cutting on Health Profession Building happened in September, Monroe Community Education Center on 26th and Monroe will be in October or November then Lindquist Hall College of Social Science will be opened. Pool in Swenson gym will begin to be filled next week, hoping to have it in use in early October .
 - e. New faculty and staff members include Andrea Easter-Pilcher, Dean of Science; Kamie Ethridge, Women's Basketball Coach; Guy Letendre, Director of Economic Development
1. [Faculty Athletics Representative Update](#) – Craig Oberg, Faculty Athletic Representative. WSU has no athletes with an APR score under 930 (multi-year) which would subject them to NCAA penalties. Current overall athlete GPA is 3.2, which gives Weber State Big Sky Academic All-Conference honors. The implementation of a grade change policy took place this last year. The policy includes investigation of grade changes submitted for student-athletes when certain triggers are identified. This policy ensures that the student initiated the grade change request and that no undue influence came from Department of Athletics staff members, that the student-athlete was afforded the same opportunities as other students in the course, and that the grade change complies with applicable University and NCAA rules. A class check policy has been formalized and is given to all new coaches. Coaches or academic personnel will check randomly to see if athletes are in class. They should not interrupt class in any way.
4. [Computer Literacy Center \(CLC\) Update](#) – Brian Rague - CLC has Modules available as non-credit short courses to help get students up to speed. These courses have received support university wide, and are currently being heavily publicized to the colleges. CLC desires recommendations from faculty on modules that would be helpful to their students.
5. GEIAC Update – Molly Sween, GEIAC Chair
 - a. 2016/2017 Assessment Report -
 - i. In AY 15/16 we had 17% coverage of Gen Ed courses reporting data in the CORE areas compared to 79% coverage in CORE during AY 16/17
 - ii. In AY 15/16 we had 49% coverage of Gen Ed courses reporting data in the BREADTH areas compared to 56% coverage in the BREADTH during AY 16/17
 - iii. Overall reporting AY 15/16 was 45% and AY 16/17 was 49%
 - iv. Pleased with growth of reporting from AY 11/12 at 35% overall coverage to AY 16/17 at 49% coverage
 - b. Gen Ed Rollout Plans
 - i. Endeavoring to make WSU courses permanent, currently they are experimental
 - ii. New Gen Ed Course proposals will be available in Curriculog

- c. Revitalization progress
 - i. Fall 2017 and Spring 2018, piloted Big Questions (BQ) and Signature Assignments (SA) with 80 faculty across the university
 - ii. Summer 2018, analyzed preliminary assessment data from Spring 2018 SAs
 - iii. Fall 2018, going to departments to train on BQ and SA. Additionally, pushing faculty to the [Gen Ed Website](#) for faculty resources
6. [Dean of Students Letter](#) – Brent Horn, ASSA Chair - Jeff Hurst and Stephanie Hollist drafted a letter that addresses the issue of faculty rights and responsibilities when a student is trespassed from campus. It was recently discovered that this issue is bigger than was thought so the letter was revoked for additional work to be done.

Action Items

7. Faculty Senate [Committee Charges](#) – Doris Geide-Stevenson, Faculty Senate Chair

MOTION: To bring all charges to the floor by Amy Stegen

SECOND: Catherine Zublin

DISCUSSION: Brent Horn desires to amend the motion and pull charge #2 from ASSA charges for further discussion. Change ASSA charge #2 from: Dissemination of “Faculty Safety letter” from Jeff Hurst to the faculty; reword as follows: Explore faculty rights and responsibilities when a student is sanctioned by campus authority.

MOTION Amended: to change wording of ASSA charge #2 to ‘Explore faculty rights and responsibilities when a student is sanctioned by campus authority’, by Aaron Ashley

SECOND: Clay Rasmussen

OUTCOME: Vote on amended motion with proposed new wording. Unanimous Approval

DISCUSSION of original motion: Faculty Senate is charged with making annual review of the committee system in PPM 1-13 Article B-V Section 10. CRAO’s charge #3 can be interpreted broadly to include all of faculty senate standing committees, not just the senate chair and the succession plan. Executive Committee should be over this policy. Currently various committees are taking pieces of this policy; they are not currently reported in one place.

OUTCOME: Vote on original motion with ASSA charge amended as in previous motion. Unanimous approval of charges.

8. [Committee Updates](#) – Doris Geide-Stevenson, Faculty Senate Chair

Motion to bring committee replacements to the floor by Hugo Valle

SECOND: Rob Reynolds

OUTCOME: Unanimous approval

- a. Scott Hadzik, EAST for Lauren Fowler, S&BS (left WSU)
- b. Kendal Beazer, HP for Macey Buker (left WSU)
- c. Brent Horn, ASSA Chair, Amy Stegen CRAO Chair – assigned after April FS approval
- d. Miranda Kispert, LIB for Kathy Payne (retiring)
- e. Mary Foss, EAST for Miranda Kispert (moved to GEIAC)

Adjourned 3:55 pm

Next Meeting: Faculty Senate, October 11, 2018 at 3:00 pm WB206-207