

**MINUTES
UNIVERSITY SENATE
JANUARY 23, 2003
GARRETT BALLROOM**

Chair Doug Smith called the meeting to order at 3:30 P.M. **The following members were present:** Lawrence Alice, Darlene Applegate, Ray Blankenship, Robert Dietle, Claus Ernst, Elmer Gray, Richard Hackney, kacy Harris, Michelle Hollis, Danita Kelley, Sean Kinder, Kathleen Matthew, Michael May, Patricia Minter, Russell Moore, John Moore, Fred Murphy, Sharon Mutter, Jane Olmsted, Kay Payne, Yvonne Petkus, Cassandra Pinnick, Matthew Pruitt, Ross Pruitt, Troy Ransdell, Sherrie Serros, Vernon Sheeley, Nelda Sims, Bryon Sleugh, Dale Smith, Doug Smith, Judy Walker, Mary Wolinski, Ed Yager, Uta Ziegler

Alternate members present: Luther Hughes for Barbara Burch, Bob Reber for Robert Jefferson, Jim LeTourneau for Wilma King-Jones, Raymond Poff for Kathleen Sheldon. **Members absent**

were: Christopher Antonsen, Jim Becker, Michael Binder, Charles Borders, John Bruni, Thad Crews II, Debra Crisp, David Dunn, Yalcin Ertekin, Blaine Ferrell, Joe Glaser, Bill Greenwalt, Jeffrey Hackett, Beverly Holland, Robert Holman, Roy Howsen, Augustine Ihator, Daniel Jackson, Jonathan Jeffrey, Pam Jukes, Frank Kersting, Bruce Kessler, Minwoo Lee, David Lee, Dana Lockhart, Jessica Martin, Cynthia Mason, Lora Moore, Anne Onyekwluje, Richard Parker, Sherry Powers, Gary Ransdell, Sherry Reid, Loren Ruff, Jo-Anne Ryan, Roger Scott, Cliff Shaluta, Fred Siewers, Bill Tseng, Steven White, John White, Stacy Wilson

Approval of the Minutes

The minutes of December 12, 2002 were approved as corrected.

University Senate Action Approval

Dr. Barbara Burch, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs approved, without exception, the actions taken by the University Senate at its December 12, 2002 meeting.

Report from the Chair

1. Chair Douglas Smith reported that in December he traveled to Frankfort for the interviews for the Council on Postsecondary Education Head position. The chair said the COSFL group had a list of questions for the two candidates, interviewed each candidate for about one hour, and afterwards they submitted their vote for the position. The person chosen is Thomas Layzell and Chair Smith seemed to think that he will be a capable good head of the CPE. The Chair said he will invite Dr. Layzell to campus in the near future.
2. Next, Chair Smith said he met with President Ransdell, and the Student Government President to set up the joint committee on enrollment management. The committee will consist of three members from each group: SGA, administration, and faculty. He said SGA has appointed its representatives, and the University Executive Committee will make its appointments at its next meeting. He said he and the President also had a discussion regarding the funding of the Downing University Center construction and a

\$1.2 million loan to the Student Life Foundation that is to be taken out of the Reserve Fund. The concern voiced by Chair Smith is the depletion of the Reserve Fund. The Chair said the President ensured him that the loan would only be made if the land sale of the Applied Physics Institute goes through. This sale is supposed to net the University approximately two million dollars. If the sale does go through, and the loan is made to the auxiliaries, the loan would be paid back to the Reserve Fund by January 2004. The Chair said he would report more on this at a later meeting.

3. The Chair also reported on the Department Heads' Council. He said he had received an email outlining their bylaws and mission. He said this Council would meet once a year and a part of their mission purpose would be to provide guidance and council to the Provost, the Deans and/or the University Senate.

Report from the Faculty Regent

Regent Dietle said the next meeting of the Board of Regents would be January 31, 2003 in Elizabethtown. He said he would like to hear from anyone who has concerns for him to present at that meeting. He said that two of the Committees of the Board of Regents have met, the Student Affairs Committee, and the Academic Committee, of which he is a member. The Academic Committee voted to allow the Provost to go forward with creating a Division of Extended Learning and Outreach. The Regent said he voted for this with some reservations, and at the full Board Meeting he would ask that we establish an immediate Criteria of Success, i.e., what do we want this program to achieve, what means of financial returns can we expect from this program, etc. so that two years from now we can assess the program in terms of how successful it has reached those criteria. Regent Dietle said another reason he voted in favor of the program was that the initial funding to create this division will be through Academic Affairs recapturing some income from other academic areas such as Correspondence Studies. Previously this income has not gone to academics, but directly into the General Fund. The Regent said that the Student Affairs Committee has voted to ask the BOR to loan 1.2 million dollars from the University Reserve Fund to the Student Life Foundation to help finance the ongoing renovation of Downing University Center. Regent Dietle said he is not on this committee, however he did attend and asked several questions. He feels this loan would deplete the Reserve Fund, but the President said he has reason to believe that the fund would build back up quickly through a series of real estate deals and sales of property. The Regent said he has concerns about using the reserve fund as a bank for the different auxiliaries. The Student Life Foundation (and auxiliary) was created as a separate entity to be self-supporting, thus protecting the housing funds. The auxiliaries do not contribute to the reserve fund and their money is out of reach for other WKU units. Allowing the auxiliaries to use the reserve fund as a "bank" in this context is a reason for concern. The Regent said he would be expressing these issues and concerns at the next Board of Regents Meeting.

Next the Regent said he would be emailing the faculty soon with comparative figures for WKU faculty salaries to that of other benchmark institutions.

OLD BUSINESS

Student Government Association Proposal (Postponed from December 12, 2002 Meeting)

Chair Smith opened the floor for discussion on the following SGA motion.

Sustainable Growth Strategy

PURPOSE: For the University Senate to recommend that the University adopt the following change in its allocation of future unbudgeted student fees; increases in funds not currently budgeted by the University should be allocated towards academic instruction.

WHEREAS: Enrollment has continued to climb during this period of no-growth in state funding and,

WHEREAS: The University currently gives department with mandatory fees the unbudgeted increases in those fees in spite of the fact that additional funding for academics is needed, and

WHEREAS: The departments receiving these increases in mandatory fees may not be needing or expecting the extra funds, and this change would not decrease their budgets, and

WHEREAS: This has resulted in deficits of funding for faculty positions and instruction and hindered the hiring of additional faculty to cover the increases in enrollment.

AND WHEREAS: The Student Government Association has passed legislation requesting this change and requests that the Senate also endorse this policy change.

THEREFORE: Be it resolved that the University Senate recommends the University allocate all future unbudgeted mandatory fee increases towards academic instruction until the University receives increases in funding from the state.

After lengthy discussion, Senator Minter moved to table the motion again until further study could be made and brought back at the February meeting of the University Senate. The motion was seconded. The motion carried.

University Curriculum Committee proposal postponed from December 12, 2002 Meeting

Next, the chair opened the floor for discussion for the following items from the University Curriculum Committee postponed from the December meeting

Senator Moore said the changes made were: 1) Add a bullet in the admission requirements for option 2 for both proposals which represents the alternative route to teacher certification and the MAE in Education; the new bullet focuses on the admission requirements established by the Graduate Faculty in the teaching discipline. 2) Make a revision which points out that the

specialization component in the Middle Grades Program must be approved by the advisor in coordination with the Graduate Faculty in the teaching discipline.

He moved approval of the revised curricular items

Ref. No 103 Master of Arts in Education, Secondary Education Major/Minor

Ref No. 139 Master of Arts in Education - Middle Grades Education.

The motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. Report from the Faculty Welfare and Professional Responsibilities Committee

Senator Ernst referred to the Faculty Worklife Study document that was handed out at the University Senate's December meeting. He pointed out that this is the first part of a report dealing with the faculty advising and teaching load. He said the next part will address the research load for faculty. He feels this will be ready by the end of this academic year.

B. Report from the University Curriculum Committee

Senator Applegate moved approval of the University Curriculum Committee's Consent Agenda from the meeting of December 13, 2002.

Chair Smith asked if any Senator would like to remove any item from the consent agenda to the action agenda. No such requests were made.

POTTER COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

I. One-Time-Only Course Offerings [for information only]

GOVT 267 Introduction to East European Studies

II. Revision of Courses

ART 350 Printmaking [catalog course listing]

ART 351 Printmaking [catalog course listing]

ART 450 Printmaking [catalog course listing]

ART 451 Printmaking [catalog course listing]

ART 453 Senior Techniques in Printmaking [catalog course listing]

ART 454 Senior Composition in Printmaking [catalog course listing]

ART 455 Advanced Senior Techniques in Printmaking [catalog course listing]
ART 456 Advanced Senior Composition in Printmaking [catalog course listing]
ART 463 Senior Composition in Painting * [title, prerequisites, catalog listing]
ART 464 Senior Techniques in Painting * [title, prerequisites, catalog listing]
ART 465 Advanced Senior Composition in Painting * [title, prereqs, catalog listing]
ART 466 Advanced Senior Techniques in Painting * [title, prereqs, catalog listing]
SEC 472 Teaching Art * ^ [title, prefix/number, prerequisites, catalog]

III. Deletion of Courses

ART 306 Far Eastern Art
ART 308 Art of 17-18th Century Europe
ART 309 Art of the Ancient World
ART 402 19th and 20th Centuries Architecture

IV. Suspension of Courses ^

ENG 195 Honors: Brain & Renaissance
ENG 201 Informal Essay
ENG 397 Word Study: Vocabulary and Semantics
ENG 405 Phonetics

V. Creation of New Course *

ART 311 Foundations of Art Education and Methods I

VI. Revision of Program *

Ref. No. 516 BA in Art Education

GORDON FORD COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

I. Revision of Courses

MGT 311 Human Resource Management [prerequisites]
MGT 314 Production Management * [title, prerequisites]
MGT 412 Entrepreneurship * [number, prerequisites]
MGT 461 Business Research and Report Writing * [title, number, catalog]

II. Suspension of Courses

MGT 325 Total Quality Management
MGT 420 Manufacturing Planning and Control Systems

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND BEHAVIORAL SCIENCES

I. Suspension of Courses

PE 344 Coaching of Swimming
PE 348 Coaching of Soccer

II. Deletion of Courses

PE 421 Senior Seminar
PE 451 Problems in Physical Education
PE 454 Problems and Trends in Elementary PE

III. Revision of Courses

IECE 493 Advanced Assessment of Young Children [prerequisites]
IECE 494 Advanced Curriculum Development for Young Children [catalog]
CFS 192 Working with Young Children and Families * [prerequisites, catalog]
CFS 193 Curriculum for Young Children * [prerequisites, catalog]
CFS 194 Assessment of Young Children * [prerequisites, catalog]

GRADUATE COUNCIL

I. Revision of Course ^

BIOL 524 Evolutionary and Ecological Genetics [catalog]

II. Creation of New Courses *

COMM 525 Interpersonal Support in the Workplace ^
SPAN 490G Hispanic Cinema

III. Revision of Programs * ^

Ref. No. 103 Master of Arts in Education, Secondary Education Major/Minor
[decrease hours from 35 to 30, create two options]
Ref. No. 139 Master of Arts in Education - Middle Grades Education
[decrease hours from 35 to 30, create two options]

OFFICE OF ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

I. Revision of Academic Policy *

Revise statement about Senior Exams in undergraduate catalog (p. 25)

The motion carried.

Next, Senator Applegate said the revisions to the University Curriculum Committee Guidelines and Operating Procedures has been posted on the website, and hard copies have been sent out in campus mail to each department and dean's offices

Report from the General Education Committee

Senator Minter presented the report and moved approval of the following:

Chair Smith asked if any Senator would like to move any General Education item from the consent agenda to the action agenda. No such requests were made.

I. New Courses for Inclusion in General Education

Category B-II:

HIST 307 The Middle Ages

II. Approval of Course Name Changes for Existing Gen. Ed. Courses

Category B-II:

RELS 100 The New Testament
RELS 101 The Old Testament/Hebrew Scriptures

Category D:

GEOG 471 Natural Resource Management

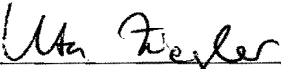
The motion carried.

Next, Senator Minter pointed out that all submissions to the General Education Committee must be done electronically.

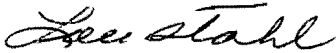
No other business was brought before the Senate at this meeting.

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 PM

Respectfully submitted,



Uta. Ziegler, Secretary



Lou Stahl, Recorder