

**MINUTES
UNIVERSITY SENATE
FEBRUARY 21, 2002
GARRETT BALLROOM**

Chair Robert Dietle called the meeting to order at 3:30 P.M. **The following members were present:** Lawrence Alice, Darlene Applegate, Ray Blankenship, Erika Brady, John Bruni, Barbara Burch, Catherine Carey, John Crenshaw, William Davis, Robert Dietle, David Dunn, Ernst Claus, Richard Hackney, Kacy Harris, Roy Howsen, Michelle Jackson, Robert Jefferson, Jonathan Jeffrey, Sean Kinder, John Hardin, Alton Little, Kathleen Matthew, Michael May, Patti Minter, Russell Moore Carrie Morgan, Fred Murphy, Sharon Mutter, Jane Olmsted, Kay Payne, Yvonne Petkus, Katrina Phelps, Matthew Pruitt, Sherrie Serros, Kathleen Sheldon, Nelda Sims, Holly Skidmore, Carol Wilson, Stacy Wilson, Scott Wolfe, Edward Yager, Susan Yorde, Uta Ziegler. **Alternates in Attendance Were:** Douglas Smith for Kathryn Abbott, John Long for Larry Snyder **The following members were absent without alternate representation:** Karen Adams, Michael Binder, David Coffey, Kenneth Crawford, Elmer Gray, Bill Greenwalt, Jeffrey Hackett, Jennifer Hall, Robert Holman, Martin Houston, Daniel Jackson, Frank Kersting, Wilma King-Jones, Mary Ellen Miller, John Moore, Antony Norman, Ronald Oliver, Rich Patterson, Cassandra Pinnick, Gary Ransdell, Loren Ruff, Bryon Sleugh, Dale Smith, John White, Steven White, Ed Wolfe.

Chair Dietle asked if there were any additions or corrections to the January 24, 2002 minutes. The minutes were approved as editorially corrected.

Provost Barbara Burch endorsed without exception the actions of the Senate at its January 24, 2002 meeting.

Report From the Chair

Chair Dietle said the Executive Committee met this week, and he discussed their concern that the University is continuing to use social security numbers for student identification. The Committee is looking into alternative identification methods. Dr. Dietle pointed out the present social security identification procedure is not only illegal, but also may increase the risk of student identity fraud. The Chair stated this issue will continue to be a priority of the Executive Committee until the matter is resolved.

Next, Chair Dietle said the Budget Council will send its recommendations to President Ransdell next week, and he said he will report back to the Senate at the March meeting.

New Business

Reports from the Standing Committees:

University Curriculum Committee

Darlene Applegate said two items should be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed on the Action Agenda: Item # IV, Creation of a New Course and Item V, Reference #550 Environmental Science. (Revise the course and program by removing comas from titles.) Dr. Applegate then moved approval of the University Curriculum Committee's consent ^{proposal} ~~proposal~~ *agenda* from the Curriculum Committee's January 31, 2002 meeting.

Dr. Dietle asked if any Senator would like to remove any other item from the Consent Agenda to the Action Agenda. No other items were removed.

* All proposals marked with an asterisk were action items by the UCC.

OGDEN COLLEGE OF SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

I. Offer Course on One-Time-Only Basis [for information only]

GEOG 412 Geoscience Technical Writing

II. Revision of Courses *

EE 330 Machines and Power [title, catalog
description]

EE 430 Power Transmission [title, catalog
description]

PHYS 410 Physics for Elementary Teachers [title,
catalog course description]

III. Creation of New Courses *

EE 435 Power Systems III

EE 439 Power System Harmonics

SCHOOL OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

I. Revision of Course Prefixes from SFTY/ENV to EHS [for information only]

SFTY 120 Introduction to Occupational Safety and Health
SFTY 221 Safety and Health Standards, Codes, and
Regulations

SFTY 321 Elements of Industrial Hygiene

SFTY 322 Physical Hazards Recognition and Control I

SFTY 327 Physical Hazards Recognition and Control II

SFTY 331	Hazardous Materials Recognition and Control
SFTY 367	Supervised Work Experience in Industry
SFTY 420	Fire Prevention for the Safety Professional
SFTY 423	Safety Program Management
ENV 440	Industrial Hygiene I
ENV 441	Industrial Hygiene I Lab
ENV 442	Industrial Hygiene II
ENV 443	Industrial Hygiene II Lab
ENV 471	Industrial Ventilation
ENV 474	Industrial Hygiene Risk Assessment
ENV 475	Selected Topics in Environmental Sciences
ENV 485	Educational Experiences in Industrial Hygiene

II. Revision of a Course

EHS 420 (moved to action)	Fire Prevention for the Safety Professional [title]
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III. Deletion of a Course *

HCA 341	Introduction to Health Care Facilities
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IV. Creation of a New Course *

EHS 491	Internship in Environmental, Health, and Safety (moved to action agenda)
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V. Revision of Programs *

Reference #559	Health Care Administration
Reference #521	Public Health
Reference #550	Environmental Science (moved to action agenda)

POTTER COLLEGE OF ARTS, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

I. Offer Course on One-Time-Only Basis [for information only]

ANTH 434	Cemetery Archaeology
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II. Revision of Courses

SPAN 372 [prerequisites]	Latin American Civilization and Culture
SPAN 376 [prerequisites]	Literature and Culture of Latin America

SPAN 377	Literature and Culture of Spanish Caribbean and Central America [prerequisites]
SPAN 472	Background of Modern Spanish [prerequisites]
SPAN 475	Spain: From the Golden Age to the Age of Realism [prerequisites]
SPAN 476	Twentieth Century Spain [prerequisites]
SPAN 477	Latin America: Colonial Period to Modernism [prerequisites]
SPAN 478	Twentieth Century Latin America [prerequisites]

III. Deletion of a Course

RELS 321	Religions of Asia
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IV. Creation of New Courses *

RELS 103	Religions of Asia
DANC 104	Introduction to Ballet and Modern
DANC 420	Choreography

V. Revision of Program *

Reference #750	Photojournalism
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GRADUATE COUNCIL

I. Revision of Course Prefix from ELED to EDU [for information only]

ELED 596	Portfolio Development and Professional Education Growth Plan
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II. Revision of Courses

LTCY 520	Clinical Diagnosis of Reading Disabilities [title]
LTCY 521	Correction of Reading Difficulties [title]
LTCY 524	Teaching Reading Skills in the Content Areas [title]
LTCY 624	Seminar in Reading Problems [title]
EDFN 576	Issues and Trends in Education [catalog course description]
PHYS 410G	Physics for Elementary Teachers [title, course description] *

III. Creation of Courses *

EDU 590	Teaching Internship
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EDU 698
LTCY 527
LTCY 528

Seminar: Advanced Portfolio Project
Literacy Learning and Cultural Differences
Literacy Research Methods and Evaluation

IV. Revision of Program *

Reference #083 Master of Science in Library Media Education

The motion was seconded. The motion carried.

Action Agenda

Next Dr. Applegate moved approval of the following:

- a. Creation of a Course* EHS 491 Internship in Environmental Health and Safety.
- b. Revision of a Program* Environmental Science

The motion was seconded. The motion carried.

Next Dr. Applegate moved approval of the University Curriculum Committee Bylaw Amendments.

The motion was seconded. The motion carried.

Next, Dr. Applegate moved approval of the University Curriculum Committee Guidelines.

Chair Dietle said the Guidelines would be divided into sections one through eight. He asked if there was any discussion on each section. There was no discussion.

The motion was seconded. The motion carried.

Dr. Applegate said she wanted to go on record to thank the University Curriculum Committee members and others who worked for over 600 hours to establish the Guidelines and Operating Procedures.

General Education Committee

Dr. John Bruni moved approval of the following items from the University General Education

PROPOSAL FOR CATEGORY NAME CHANGE

Rename category E (World Cultures and American Cultural Diversity) to Non-

Western Cultures and American Cultural Diversity.

PROPOSAL FOR COURSE CHANGES

College of Education and Behavioral Sciences

1. PSY 350 Social Psychology [Change of prerequisite]

Change from PSY 100 to Sophomore standing

Potter College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

1. GERM 333 Germanic Civilization and Culture [Change in course description]

Current description:

Survey of the historical background and contemporary ways of life of the German-speaking countries of Europe: The Federal Republic of Germany, Austria and Switzerland. Conducted in German.

Proposed description:

Survey of the historical background and cultural development of the German-speaking countries of Europe: The Federal Republic of Germany, Austria and Switzerland. Conducted in German.

2. SPAN 373 Spanish Civilization and Culture [Change of prerequisite and category change]

Present prerequisite:	SPAN 202 or equivalent
Proposed prerequisite:	SPAN 370 or 371 or equivalent

Move SPAN 373 from category E (World Cultures and American Cultural Diversity) to category B-II (Humanities – Electives)

3. SPAN 374 Literature and Culture of Spain [Change in prerequisite]

Change from: SPAN 202 or equivalent to SPAN 370 or 371 or equivalent

4. SPAN 376 Literature and Culture of Latin America [Category inclusion]

Proposal for inclusion in category E (World Cultures and American Cultural Diversity)

5. SPAN 372 Latin American Civilization and Culture [Category inclusion]

Proposal for inclusion in category B-II (Humanities – Electives)

After discussions, the motion was seconded. The motion carried.

UC101

Next Dr. Burni said Bob Cobb, Director of Institutional Research has discovered some UC101 data that was not included in the original database requested by Dr. Brian Goff, Economic and Marketing professor. The new data will be compiled and added to the original data, and then forwarded to Drs. Goff and Bruni to analyze. Dr. Bruni said the complete set of analyses will be posted to the General Education web page for Senators to evaluate prior to the University Senate's March discussion of UC101.

Faculty Welfare and Professional Responsibilities Committee

Dr. Claus Ernst reported the following:

Health Care:

1. Preliminary data indicates that we have a deficit in health care costs of about \$250,000. This is considerably lower than in past years. In addition there are funds left in the Flexible Medical Spending accounts, which will revert to the Health Care Fund if they are not claimed by WKU employees by March 31. That means that there is a good chance that most of the \$250,000 deficit may be covered with the money left in the Flexible Medical Spending accounts. If this is the case we can claim that we broke even for 2001.

2. Dr. Ernst reported on President Ransdell's reply to the recommendation of the Benefits Committee and University Senate concerning future WKU Health Care Contributions.

President Ransdell supports the increase of the WKU contribution to Health Care from \$315 to \$341 for 2003. He does not support a policy whereby the WKU contribution automatically increases with medical inflation. Instead he directed the Benefits Committee to calculate a recommended increase each year and report this increase to the Budget Council for consideration.

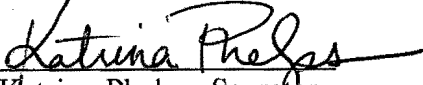
3. There is the possibility of legislative action during this session, which might force WKU back into the state health insurance pool, or require a certain amount of money from WKU for the right to remain self-insured. The rationale behind this is the fact that current WKU employees are not a part of the state pool, but upon retirement most become members of the state pool (that is all who are in KTRS). This increases the average age of people in the state pool. At this point it is not clear what will happen. Human Resource Director, Tony Glisson, and President Ransdell are monitoring this closely. Tony Glisson will inform us and ask us to write our legislative representatives if it becomes necessary.

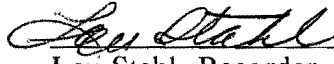
Survey

1. The Faculty Work Life Survey was passed out during the Senate meeting. The Faculty Welfare and Professional Responsibilities Committee asked that departmental senators administer the surveys in their departments and return the surveys within two weeks to Claus Ernst, Department of Mathematics. A second survey is distributed to the department heads and should be returned to Douglas Smith, Department of Sociology.

The meeting adjourned at 4:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,


Katrina Phelps, Secretary


Lou Stahl, Recorder