

## **Faculty Senate Minutes** **December 8, 2015**

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### **3:15 – 3:30 p.m.**

*Better Know a Colleague* (informal gathering, optional)

### **3:30 – 5 p.m.**

*Business Meeting*

1. Call to order: 3:30 p.m.
2. Call of the roll (by circulation of sign-in sheet)  
Senators in attendance: Isidore Lobnibe, Mark Van Steeter, Shaun Huston, Bob Hautala, Jennifer Taylor, Sandy Hedgepeth (for David Janoviak), Paul Disney, Bojan Ilievski, Chloe Hughes, Marie LeJeune, Mike Olivier, Lyra Behnke, Amy Harwell, Rebecca McCannell, Bryan Dutton, Cornelia Paraskevas, Rob Winningham, Thomas Rand, Diane Tarter, Matt Ciancetta, Cheryl Beaver, Melanie Landon-Hays (for Carmen Caceda), Tom Bergeron (for Kevin Helppie)  
Officers in attendance: Laurie Burton, Camila Gabaldon- Winningham, Melanie Landon-Hays  
Ex-Officio in attendance: Rex Fuller, Steven Scheck, Janessa Honda (for Corbin Garner)
3. Corrections to and approval of minutes from previous meeting  
Approved
4. Institutional Reports
  - 4.1. Laurie Burton, Faculty Senate President
    - Executive Committee and the provost are doing a quick update edit on the Faculty Handbook in preparation for it migrating to a web interface document
    - Hopefully everyone saw Provost Scheck's email last Thursday regarding Academic Excellence Showcase. Academic Excellence Showcase is enthusiastically endorsed by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee - see Save the Date! on the faculty senate website.
    - Graduation Ceremony discussion moved to January
    - Approved curriculum
      - C3627 PHL 201 Introduction to Metaphysics and Epistemology for Honors Students course (new)
      - C3631 PHL 208 Philosophy in the Western World: Medieval to Enlightenment course (drop)
      - C3630 PHL 207 Philosophy in the Western World: Ancient to Medieval course (drop)
  - 4.2. Rex Fuller, University President
    - Handed out the institutional brochure highlighted student stories.; one of his charges is to get out and talk about WOU and its legacy and we are using this brochure of student success stories during legislative days. This brochure is being used as a marketing tool.

- The mission statement that was approved in July by the WOU Board will be presented to the HECC for final approval at the next meeting on December 10, 2015
- The HECC will be hosted at WOU in May 2016 (update from original January 2016 announcement). The meeting will run from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m., the agenda, location and date will be sent out spring term.

#### 4.3. Stephen Scheck, University Provost

- Introducing Amy Clark. Amy has joined us as of December 1 as our new Registrar. She's jumped right into the deep end of the pool and will bring a valuable perspective to many of the policy and practice issues we wish to address.
- Faculty Handbook update - Have been working with President Burton on updating the Faculty Handbook. We are only making essential edits in preparation for moving the handbook to a web-based document.
- Open Education Resources (HB2871). The 2015 legislative session passed HB 2871 to support textbook affordability via developing Open Educational Resources (OERs) includes four key components: 1) establishes a grant program administered by the HECC for development of open source textbooks; 2) HECC to add an OER resource specialist to their staff; 3) have HECC and colleges/universities to identify 15 high-enrollment transferrable courses for developing OERs; 4) requires colleges/universities to prominently designate courses whose course materials exclusively consist of open or free textbooks or other low-cost or no-cost course materials. (implemented for the 2016-2017 academic year)
- Academic Excellence Showcase is May 26th – encourage faculty to consider possible winter term class projects as potential material for student participation.
- Best wishes on finals and final grade reports. Much happens after grades are submitted on Tuesday, December 15 by 10:00 a.m. Grade transcribing, academic warning/probation/suspension; financial aid probation/suspension; NCAA clearance; student appeals and hearings -- all in time for classes to start on January 4, 2016.
- Also see provost report linked to [wou.edu/facultysenate](http://wou.edu/facultysenate)

#### 4.4. Janessa Honda for Corbin Garner, ASWOU President.

- Toys for tots drive ends tomorrow. Please turn in your toys to ASWOU by tomorrow. Mandated to get those back by a specific date. There are no more tags.
- Nine ASWOU Senate seats are filled, which is the largest group since 2012. Six more seats are available if you know of students wanting to become involved. More intensive than judicial branch. One seat on judicial board as well.
- We have a paid director position--director of visual communications—open in the cabinet. If you know someone who you could recommend, send them our way.

#### 4.5. Thaddeus Shannon, IFS Senator

- Second IFS meeting for Fall term was held at the end of November at OHSU.
- Trying to update the IFS constitution to reflect the fact that there is no longer an Oregon University System. We want it to talk about autonomous public universities. It was approved unanimously by IFS and has to be ratified by constituent faculties
- Big discussion around the desire for a number of campuses to convene a statewide discussion on campus violence. Endorsed with proviso that we'll wait and see what comes out of the president's and provost's council.

## 5. Consideration of Old Business

### 5.1. Curricular item: Music program and course changes

Tom Bergeron, Creative Arts

- No questions for Tom on this business item
- Moved to approve the music program and course changes, motion carries—23 (unanimous)

### 5.2. Curricular item: Course Number Cleanup

Cat McGrew, Director of Academic Affairs and Operations

- No questions for Cat
- Moved to approve, motion carries—23 in favor (unanimous)

## 6. Consideration of New Business

### 6.1. Curricular item: Elementary Mathematics Instructional Leader and Graduate Certificate and MSED—Elementary Mathematics Instructional Leader

Rachel Harrington, Teacher Education, Cheryl Beaver and Laurie Burton, Mathematics

- Two proposed program packages; cross college collaboration between Rachel Harrington, Cheryl Beaver and Laurie Burton
- The WOU EMIL specialization program is already approved by TSPC, is in the 2015 - 2016 catalog, and students are enrolled in the EMIL courses.
- We are proposing to offer it as a graduate EMIL certificate. The certificate will serve several populations, for example, if we have students outside of the state who aren't licensed in Oregon this benefits them. TSPC requires that you have 3 years of teaching before you can be fully awarded the EMIL specialization, and students who don't have three years of experience when they complete the EMIL specialization program would be able to earn a graduate certificate. They can finish their teaching requirement and then apply for the specialization by the state. A certificate for such students can be beneficial for job placement.
- It's important to note we've proposed no new programming or coursework. This is the specialization you've already approved; we're just packaging it as a graduate certificate at WOU.
- Our program is fully online so we can offer something statewide and they are all practicing teachers.
- The online portion involves cameras (SWIVLS) for the observations. We'll do some travel to do observations and a big component is them being observed virtually.
- The Board of Trustees has already approved this. Once it comes from Faculty Senate to Scheck it will go to the North West Commission.
- We do have participants who already have a master's degree, they have come back to do additional graduate work. A graduate certificate allows an option of counting them (in the new state model) when they already have a degree.
- The second thing that we've done is we've attracted a lot of students to WOU due to Cheryl and Rachel's DEMILO grant. Many of them are interested in earning a Master's degree so we are proposing an addition (modification) to the existing MSED program to incorporate the EMIL course work. The top core MSED courses have not changed. The content core has been embedded with the EMIL courses.

- They can get a graduate certificate and Master's degree, but the students have to apply for what they are going to get, so that should eliminate some redundancy.
- Links to both proposals are available on the Faculty Senate webpage.

## 6.2. Ratification of housekeeping changes to the IFS Constitution

Thaddeus Shannon, IFS Senator

- Getting rid of all the language specific to OUS. Crossing out and replacing it with Oregon Public Universities. Higher Education stakeholders in Oregon.
- This information is available on the faculty senate website.
- There should be nothing controversial.
- IFS really wants the senates at different schools to vote on this.

## 7. Informational Presentations

### 7.1. An Introduction to the Data Warehouse

Bill Kernan, Director University Computing Services

- <http://www.wou.edu/wp/underthehood/2015/12/04/an-introduction-to-the-data-warehouse/>
- It is a snapshot in time. We put the warehouse into production on June 2, 2014. Warehouse includes 108 million rows. Majority of data comes from Banner, finance, HR and a little bit of financial aid data.
- Demonstration of how to run data reports. Need log in information. Showed the possibilities of the program.
- If you want access, there is information about it in Faye's email. You can get access that way and training is through Max Chartier. The majority of your APAs have been trained to use it.

### *Announcements*

### 7.2. Dan Clark, Director Center for Academic Innovation

- Have an overfull cohort for WOTI '15. Expanded it to eight participants to meet needs and desires of faculty.
- This evening is the third and final community lecture series for the fall term. Rob's was very successful last month. Hopefully it will get half as much attendance.
- One workshop before term is out. Friday at noon—took content for the SOTIs and WOTIs, called it SLOTI. Will talk about content building.
- Will start up again in Winter term.

## 8. Adjournment at 4:24 p.m.

### **5 – 5:15 p.m.**

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