

Washburn University
Meeting of the Faculty Senate
April 6, 2020 3:00 PM
Zoom Meeting Hosted by FS Executive Committee

Present: Barker, Beatie, Byrne, Cook (M), Cook (S), Dodge, Friesen, González-Abellás, Grant, Grimmer, Huff, Jones, Juma, Krug, Mazachek, Menninger-Corder, Miller, Morse, Prasch, Ricklefs, Romig Sainato, Schmidt, Smith, Stevens, Vandelsem, Wang, Wasserstein, Watson Woody, Zwikstra

Absent: Douglass, Pierce

Guests: Ball (A), Ball (J), Desota, Erby, Gibbons, Grospitch, Holthous, Stephenson

- I. Call to Order
- II. Faculty Senate Meetings Minutes
 - March 30, 2020 were approved with edits.
 - March 31, 2020 were approved with edits.
- III. President's Opening Remarks
 - Thanks for the hard work last week.
 - All approved materials will be sent to the general faculty for an email vote
 - IT has been set up voting for at large faculty.
 - The meeting will be recorded and we will use polling again. Will be deleted when minutes are completed.
 - Dr. Childers passed away. It may be there is a replacement for her for the last two meetings. Per Morse, CAS Social Sciences will have an election for the spots on their meeting Friday.
 - At the May 4th meeting, new senators will take their places. All members – new and leaving – attend the last meeting. New senators will be electing an executive board.
 - Mazachek suggested they are anticipating decision making and meetings over the summer. Discussion regarding the transition of the executive board needs to be considered. Morse suggested the constitution be reviewed regarding any rules for transition.
- IV. Report from the Faculty Representative to the Board of Regents:
 - None. Next meeting is April 9th via zoom.
- V. VPAA Update - Dr. JuliAnn Mazachek
 - Thanks so much for helping students with enrollment and their success.
 - Please reach out if you have any questions.

VI. Consent Agenda

- Faculty Senate Committee Reports
 - I. Approved February 10, 2020 minutes of the Academic Affairs Committee
- University Committee Reports
 - I. Received January 30, 2020 minutes of the International Education / International WTE Committee
 - II. Received February 11, 2020 minutes of the Academic Diversity & Inclusion Committee

VII. Old Business

- 20-12 Change to B.A. in English Literature
 - I. Cook moved to approve; Stevens seconded.
 - II. Passed unanimously and will be sent to General Faculty for a vote.
- 20-13 B.Ed. in Government and Political Science Secondary Education
 - I. The name of the item is incorrect in the appendix.
 - II. Friesen moved and Morse seconded.
 - III. Passed unanimously and will be send to General Faculty for a vote.
- 20-14 B.Ed. Middle Grades STEM
 - I. Cook (S) approved; González-Abellás seconded
 - II. Byrne asked about item 20-13 from the law school which had been held back, missing moving forward to general faculty and the board of regents meetings. Curious about what is required of new programs that these items did not receive the same pushback.
 - III. Erby explained that when there are new courses in the new programs, a syllabus must be included with the materials.
 - IV. Cook (S) confirmed this program has new courses which had been approved prior to this meeting. As an aside, if these courses have low enrollment at first, there are hopes administration will support their moving forward to get the program started. Mazachek acknowledged this is often a problem in new programs; will work with the departments.
 - V. Passed unanimously
- 20-15 B.S. in Computer Information Sciences with concentration in Data Science
 - I. Morse approved; Byrne seconded.
 - II. There are no new courses, just addition of upper level courses.
 - III. Passed unanimously

- 20-16 Minor: African American and African Diaspora Studies
 - I. Jones moved to approve; González-Abellás seconded.
 - II. González-Abellás asked what the XX meant in terms of the code.
 - III. Erby explained that the plan is to apply for a new prefix once the program was approved.
 - IV. Zwikstra asked about the use of prerequisite courses and having many in this major require them to be waived. Grimmer suggested in her program that the upper level courses are electives. Students at junior / senior level should be okay to take the course. Prasch mentioned that they don't necessarily all have pre-requisites.
 - V. Erby placed this language in the document to ensure its placement in the catalog. Usually prerequisite overrides are not an issue, but this will give students more security.
 - VI. Minor program passed unanimously and will move to faculty senate.
- 20-17 Minor: Museum and Curatorial Studies
 - I. Prasch moved to approve; Morse seconded.
 - II. Prasch acknowledged that there are students asking about such a major and this is a great addition to the catalog
 - III. Passed unanimously and will move to General Faculty.
- 20-18 Washburn Law Early Admission Program (LEAP)
 - I. Cook (S) moved to approve with a second from Cook (M).
 - II. Passed unanimously and moves on to Faculty Senate.

VIII. New Business

IX. Information Items

- Items 20-10 and 20-11 were in the last agenda and are meant only as information items.
 - I. 20-10 Change to Bachelor of Integrated Studies
 - II. 20-11 99 CAS credit-hour rule
- Mazachek stated that at the next WUBOR meeting they would be discussing budget. There will be a campus leaders meeting Friday – talk to your chairs or dean for follow up.
- Schmidt followed up regarding the constitution details for transitioning senators and executive members. There will need to be a meeting within two weeks of the May elections. Byrne asked if the executive committee could be determined in the fall. Prasch thought it would be great for the new group to get on its feet over the summer. The two committees could also work in tandem over the summer to ensure the transition is smooth.

Morse will draft the language and bring this to the next faculty affairs meeting.

- Reminder of the next General Faculty meeting being important for the approval of all the new programs.

X. Discussion Items

XI. Announcements

- Grospitch communicated that the students are very grateful for all the help during this transition.

XII. Adjournment 3:34