

## Minutes of the September Session of the Faculty Senate

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The Faculty Senate held its September session on Thursday, September 12, 2013, in PSU 313. Chair Ryan Giedd called the session to order at 3:30 p.m. Dr. Jeremy Chesman served as parliamentarian.

Substitutes: Ralph Shain for Jack Knight, PH; Andrew Twibell for Deb Larson, MJ; Reed Olsen for Mahua Mitra, EC; and Kristina Henry for Donna Gloe, NR.

Absences: Sandra Bailey, FI; John Bourhis, CM; Tracy Cleveland, PN; Vicki Dunlop, GL; Brenda Goodwin, PEC Chair; Steve Hinch, B&P Chair; John Satzinger, CI; Brooke Whisenhunt, Grad Council Chair; and Y. Jenny Zhang, FG.

Guests: Paige Jenkins, student; Deanne Camp, RFT; Rich Biagioni, FHRC; Rob Hornberger, Registrar; Nathan Hoff, Office of the Registrar; Matt Kimberlin, Grad Students; Dee Siscoe, Student Affairs; Kristina Henry, NR; Helen Reid, CHHS; Telory Davies, TD; Frank Einhellig, Provost; and Chris Craig, Office of the Provost.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The May 2013 minutes were approved as posted.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Jeremy Chesman has accepted the position of Faculty Senate parliamentarian. Chair Giedd thanked him.
2. This last summer, Past Chair Chris Herr accepted a position as interim department head of Theatre and Dance and thus will no longer be serving on the Faculty Senate Executive Committee. Chair Giedd thanked Chris for his many years of service to the Senate and his principled and dedicated representation of faculty in the university community.
3. On Friday September 13, there will be a vote on a change to the Constitution and Bylaws of the Faculty (generally referred to as Charge One) concerning how entities like the Library and School of Agriculture are represented in the Senate and on committees, how do they begin their curricular process, and, how is a school defined.

### REPORT ON SENATE ACTIONS

Chair Giedd reported that the Faculty Senate passed 18 Actions which all received administrative approval.

### REPORT FROM FACULTY HANDBOOK REVISION COMMITTEE

Chair Giedd noted that this year is the septennial review of the Faculty Handbook and reviewed the process. Dr. Rich Biagioni, committee chair, presented the report to review what was discussed last year and the current status of those items. He first reviewed the principles document and answered questions from the Senate. The "Revisions for Septennial Review" document was discussed next. Items will be posted on the Provost's website and there is a place for comments.

### UNFINISHED BUSINESS

The following new programs were postponed in the May session for review by the Budget & Priorities Committee. Senator MacGregor moved to reconsider both programs. Dr. Reed Olsen gave the Budget & Priorities committee's report.

#### New Program: **Master of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies**

Moved to reconsider by Senator MacGregor.

Discussion. Senator Kane moved to call the question to reconsider. The motion passed.

The motion to reconsider passed.

Senator Kane moved to approve the new program.

Senator Ridinger moved to revise the wording in the section Estimated Costs for the First Five Years: replace the word none with “any cost incurred by the coordinator will be borne by the Graduate College.”

Senator Ridinger moved to amend her motion to specify that the wording “any costs incurred to support the program coordinator will be borne by the Graduate College” would be included in the Faculty Senate minutes rather than as a change to the program document wording.

The Chair called a Point of Order regarding two motions brought to the floor.

Senator Weaver moved to call the question on Senator Ridinger’s first motion. The motion passed. The first motion to amend by revising the wording in the Estimated Cost Section failed.

Senator Ridinger moved to approve the program contingent upon adding the wording to the Faculty Senate minutes that “any costs incurred to support the program coordinator will be borne by the Graduate College.

Senator Romano moved to call the question. The motion passed.

The motion to add the attached language to the Faculty Senate minutes passed.

The attachment reads:

*“Any costs incurred to support the program coordinator will be borne by the Graduate College.”* [In addition, the Chair will add this statement to the comment line on the Approval Form before forwarding to the administration.]

**APPROVED.**

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**New Program: Disability Studies Minor (Interdisciplinary)**

Senator Buckner moved to reconsider the new program.

Dr. Reed Olsen presented the report from Budget & Priorities Committee.

Discussion.

The motion to reconsider passed.

Senator Buckner moved to approve the new program.

Discussion.

Senator Ernce addressed a question from the Registrar that a change should be noted that the cover page should say that it applies to all majors to match page three.

Senator Richter moved to call the question. The motion passed.

The motion to approve the new program failed.

**NEW BUSINESS**

None.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Chair Giedd adjourned the meeting at 5:13 p.m.

Kathy Gibson  
Secretary of the Faculty

**Right of Challenge Expires October 9, 2013**

**New Program: Master of Science in Interdisciplinary Studies**

A complete copy of the above curricular proposal can be viewed in the Faculty Senate office.