

Minutes of the December Session of the Faculty Senate

The Faculty Senate held the December session on Thursday, December 5, 2019, in PSU Ballroom East. Chair Saibal Mitra called the session to order at 3:30 p.m. Mike Hudson served as parliamentarian.

Substitutes: None.

Absences: Kathy Adams, Clin Fac Rep; Marlin Barber, HI; Dave Cornelison, PA; Kim Finch, CL; Thomas C. Franklin, CD; Richard Johnson, IT; Robert Joseph, DS; Phillip Lancaster, AS; Jill Layman, AN; Yuhua Qiao, PS; Cathy Starr, FI; and Sarah Wilcoxon, TD.

Guests: Katrina Chavez, Office of the Registrar; Nathan Hoff, Office of the Registrar; Chris Craig, Office of the Provost; Rob Hornberger, Enrollment Management; Kyle Thomas, Theatre; Telory Arendell, Theatre; Frank Einhellig, Provost; and Tammy Jahnke, CNAS.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The November 2019 minutes were approved as posted.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. If necessary a carryover meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 10, in PSU 313.

REPORT ON PUBLIC AFFAIRS CONFERENCE

Paul Durham was not present.

REPORT FROM HONORS COLLEGE

John Chuchiak presented the report. He answered questions from the Senate.

REPORT FROM ACADEMIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Chair-elect Wickham presented the report on scholastic honors.

Chair-elect Wickham presented the Faculty Senate Resolution on Scholastic Honors Policy Credit Hours.

The Senate discussed.

The Resolution passed.

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REPORT ON STRATEGIC ENROLLMENT MANAGEMENT

Robert Hornberger presented the report on enrollment trends and a Strategic Enrollment Management update as well as the SEM goals. He answered questions from the Senate.

SEM website: <https://www.missouristate.edu/enrollmentmanagement/sem/>

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

ADJOURNMENT

Chair Mitra adjourned the meeting at 4:48 p.m.

Faculty Senate Resolution on Scholastic Honors Policy Credit Hours

Whereas, the current Missouri State University Scholastic Honors Policy requires completion of 60 undergraduate credit hours at Missouri State; and

Whereas, some transfer students are eligible to complete the University's Accelerated Honors College program yet are not qualifying for scholastic honors because of the 60 institutional credits requirement; and

Whereas, transfer credits are recognized between collaborative programs, through Core 42, and for degree completion but are not equally recognized for scholastics honors; and

Whereas, the University residency requirement for graduation is 30 undergraduate credit hours at Missouri State; and

Whereas, the Scholastic Honors Policy has other safeguards to ensure the integrity of academic rigor;

BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate supports a change of the University's Scholastic Honors Policy requirement of credit hours at MSU from 60 to 30 hours of credit.