

Minutes of the April Session of the Faculty Senate

The Faculty Senate held its April session on Thursday, April 10, 2014, in LIBR 101. Chair Ryan Giedd called the session to order at 3:30 p.m. Dr. Jeremy Chesman served as parliamentarian.

Substitutes: Tim Knapp for Margaret Buckner, SO; and Jim Scott for Y. Jenny Zhang, FG.

Absences: Sandra Bailey, FI; Tracy Cleveland, PN; Tom Dicke, HI; Steve Hinch, B&P Chair; Cynthia MacGregor, CL/Rules Chair; Glenn Pace, MG; Eric Sheffield, RF; and Brooke Whisenhunt, Grad Council Chair.

Guests: Paula Kemp, Math; Kishor Shah, Math; Patti Blanton, Math; Nathan Hoff, Office of the Registrar; Neosha Mackey, Office of the Provost; Chris Craig, Office of the Provost; and Matt Kimberlin, GSS.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Senator Nugent made a correction to the attendance, as she had a substitute present for the March 25th meeting. The March 2014 minutes were approved as amended.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Possible dates for carryover meeting.
2. Resolution from SGA.

CANDIDATE FORUM FOR 2014/2015 SENATE CHAIR-ELECT AND SECRETARY OF THE FACULTY

Candidates Sharmistha Self (Chair-Elect) and Ruth Barnes (Secretary of the Faculty) made statements and answered questions from the Senate.

As unopposed candidates are automatically elected without vote, candidates Self and Barnes were both elected without opposition.

VOTING ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION AND BYLAWS OF THE FACULTY

Charge One

Shall the language in Article II Sections 4 and 5 of the Bylaws be amended to specify membership in college councils to include one ex officio, undergraduate student representative selected by faculty in each college to serve a one year term on college council.

Passed 31 to 8

REPORT FROM FACULTY CONCERNS COMMITTEE

Dr. Joe Hulgus, chair, presented the report on the president/provost assessment survey.

REPORT FROM FACULTY HANDBOOK REVISION COMMITTEE

Dr. Rich Biagioni, committee chair, gave a complete overview of the revisions with the Senate.

The Senate adopted the Faculty Handbook revisions as presented.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

Reconsideration of approval of New Course: **MTH 121 Multicultural Views of History and Mathematics** for inclusion in the General Education Program and Requirements, Public Affairs, Cultural Competence section.

Senator Heywood moved to suspend the rules to allow a motion to reconsider MTH 121.

The motion passed.

Senator Heywood moved to reconsider the recommendation from CGEIP to include MTH 121 as an option under Public Affairs, Cultural Competence in the General Education Program.

Discussion.

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

The motion to reconsider MTH 121 passed.

Senator Nugent moved to approve MTH 121 as an option for Cultural Competence in the General Education Program.

Discussion.

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

The motion to approve the General Education New Course MTH 121 passed.

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ADJOURNMENT

Chair Giedd adjourned the meeting at 5:06 p.m.

Kathy Gibson

Secretary of the Faculty

Senate Action 28-13/14

Adopted by Senate on April 10, 2014

Right of Challenge Expires May 8, 2014

**New Course Approved for Inclusion in the General Education Program/Cultural Competence: MTH 121
Multicultural Views of History and Mathematics**

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