

**WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY  
FACULTY SENATE  
Regular Meeting, 30 August 2016, 4:00 p.m.  
Capitol Rooms - University Union**

**A C T I O N   M I N U T E S**

**SENATORS PRESENT:** M. Allison, V. Boynton, J. Brown, Gloria Delany-Barmann, D. DeVolder, R. Hironimus-Wendt, K. Kapale, C. Keist, N. Lino, B. Locke, S. Macchi, Heather McIlvaine-Newsad, Jennifer McNabb, J. Plos, C. Pynes, T. Roberts, T. Sadler, M. Sajewski, D. Sandage, S. Szyjka, C. Tarrant  
Ex-officio: Kathy Neumann, Interim Provost; Janna Deitz, Parliamentarian

**SENATORS ABSENT:** D. Halverson

**GUESTS:** Chandra Amaravadi, Munia Cabal-Jimenez, Katrina Daytner, Anita Hardeman, Angela Lynn, George Mangalaraj, Hal Marchand, Sue Martinelli-Fernandez, Kyle Mayborn, Jill Myers, Nathan Miczo, Russ Morgan, Jim Olsen, Nancy Parsons, Darcy Plymire, Joe Rives, Steve Rock, Brian Stone, Dovile Svirupskaite, Jack Thomas, Joi Wells, Ron Williams, Lora Wolff, Tae Yang

I.     Consideration of Minutes

A.     April 28, 2016

On p. 3, under the section discussing University Libraries and the Honors College, Senator Kapale

i. PHIL 495, Internship, 1-3





between now and January. Interim Provost Neumann added that currently the existing parameters remain in place, and travel remains restricted to essential travel only, such as mandatory on-site teaching visits.

The Presidential Initiatives also includes a goal to “Diversify the campuses.” Senator

was the BOT because they needed to know how WIU would survive without an appropriation; the document was intended as more of an operating plan. He added that last year's Faculty Senate made it clear to the BOT that they were not ready to endorse the Supplement. Vice President Rives related that ExCo members told him the section discussing WIU's niche was unclear, and the enrollment section should indicate targets. Vice President Rives wants to take this narrative off the table and reconvene the Social Responsibility Task Force to try to revise the Supplement. He would like to solicit more senators (up to eight) to serve on the Task Force and try to write a document that everyone can agree on. Vice President Rives told senators it would not seem to make sense to edit

Voter registration can be completed on campus any time through October 11. Contact Senator Boynton ([VR-Boynton@wiu.edu](mailto:VR-Boynton@wiu.edu)) to make an appointment to register in her office. Election Day is Tuesday, November 8.

6. The 14<sup>th</sup> annual John Hallwas Liberal Arts Lecture will be held at 3:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 31 in Riverfront Rooms 103 and 104 on the Quad Cities campus and at 7:00 p.m. Thursday, September 1 in the Union Grand Ballroom. History Professor Ed Woell will speak on “The Public Sphere of Past and Present, and the Place of the Liberal Arts.”

### III. Reports of Committees and Councils

#### A. Council on Admission, Graduation and Academic Standards (CAGAS) (Steve Rock, Chair, 2016-2017)

##### 1. Annual Report (Steve Rock, Chair, 2015-2016)

Chairperson Pynes expressed special thanks to Dr. Rock, noting the amount of work performed by CAGAS last year, including revising the Disruptive Student in Class Procedure. He stated that Dr. Rock led CAGAS wonderfully in that effort.

CAGAS met 32 times last year to consider policy issues and student appeals. The Chair received 50 reports of Academic Integrity Incidents from across the campus. CAGAS considered 107 requests for late registration, 51 readmission appeals, 17 requests for New Start, three grade appeals, 30 appeals of freshman or transfer admission denials, 42 late withdrawals, 40 requests for overload, and two requests for S/U grading. In addition to the Disruptive Student in Class Procedure, CAGAS considered the timing of the change to the Foreign Language/Global Issues Requirement, changes to the number of SGA representatives on CAGAS, the impact of the new Associate of Science degree on transfers, changes in the Foreign Languages and Literatures advanced placement policy, changes in English proficiency requirements for international students, and the ACT/SAT conversion.

Dr. Rock pointed out that at the end of its annual report, CAGAS suggests that the Senate

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spending money on facilities improvements. Mr. Coker also provided CCPU with an update on how door locking issues have been addressed to become 100% lock-capable.

The CCPU annual report notes that both projects for the University and employee staffing were greatly impacted by the budget crisis between the state of Illinois and its universities, with most improvement projects put on hold and only the most essential safety projects conducted throughout the year. Facilities Management has asked that the University be patient with the unit's response time due to cutbacks. Four CCPU members left the University or retired by the end of the year, which Dr. Stone reported had an impact in terms of stress and the feelings of the group.

Senator Roberts asked how faculty learn about preparational training for emergency situations, such as the active shooter scenario training mentioned in the CCPU report. Dr. Stone responded that Run-Hide-Fight training is available through the Office of Public Safety. The training can be provided to individual departments or groups across campus. He reported that the current focus is on employee training, but student training is being considered as well. Senator Roberts asked how faculty can request the training. College of Arts and Sciences Dean Sue Martinelli-Fernandez responded that she contacted the Office of Public Safety over the summer after being asked by Senator Roberts about possible training. She added that a decision is being made whether to offer the training college-wide or to individual departments. Chairperson Pynes noted that every building has a designated representative, and perhaps it could be arranged for individuals to work through their building representatives as the conduit to request training. He recalled that



Senator Boynton asked about the status of Mechanical Engineering. Interim Provost Neumann responded that it has not yet appeared on an IBHE agenda.

**NO OBJECTIONS**

D. Council on General Education (CGE)  
(Darcy Plymire, Chair, 2016-2017)

1. Annual Report (Marjorie Allison, Chair, 2015-2016)

Senator

the annual report, the overall GPA for student-athletes last year was 3.090, above the overall University GPA of 2.984. Thirty-three student-athletes (8%) had a 4.00 GPA, and 239 student-athletes (59%) had GPAs of 3.0 or above last year.

### **NO OBJECTIONS**

G. Council for International Education (CIE)  
(Chandra Amaravadi, Chair, 2016-2017)

1. Annual Report (Gary Schmidt, Chair, 2015-2016)

Dr. Amaravadi reported that last year the foreign language portion of the Foreign Language/Global Issues (FLGI) Requirement was made more consistent with the global issues portion of the requirement. Previously, three foreign language courses were required to meet the FLGI requirement; the change allows for students to take either one foreign language or one global issues course to complete the requirement.

CIE developed a procedure for reviewing courses previously approved for global issues (GI) designation and reviewed 27 existing GI courses last year. Additionally, two new courses were approved for discipline-specific global issues designation.

Director of Study Abroad and Outreach Pedro Bidegaray has proposed that the Council take a more active role in promoting comprehensive campus internationalization. The annual report notes that CIE is the only established group within the faculty governance structure to oversee international education, and CIE thinks it would be fitting for the Council to play a more active role. Critical toward this effort will be CIE's review and amendment of its policies and procedures document this year.

### **NO OBJECTIONS**

2. Request for Discipline-Specific Global Issues Approval

a. HIST 421, Seminar in Global Environmental History, 3 s.h.

### **DSGI DESIGNATION APPROVED**

H. Summer School Committee (SSC)  
(Tae Yang, Chair, 2016-2017)

1. Annual Report (Tae Yang, Chair, 2015-2016)

The SSC Chair and one member met with the Executive Committee in November to develop a direction for last year's summer school survey. A new survey was developed to determine what types of classes students would like to see in summer school. The survey was distributed from February 22 through March 24; 443 students took the survey. SSC analyzed the results and presented its report to Faculty Senate in April.





Senator Boynton inquired about the Council's responsibilities. Interim Provost Neumann responded that it historically meets twice a semester and includes a cross-section of faculty, support staff, and individuals from outside Academic Affairs. Terms are for two years. Through the meetings, the Interim Provost receives feedback on timely issues and members talk about concerns or initiatives. Interim Provost Neumann told senators that there have been some good discussions on the Council. Chairperson Pynes added that it is a different group than the Academic Task Force.

Senators Delany-Barmann and Sandage volunteered to serve. There were no further nominations, and the senators were elected by acclamation.

B. Election of Committee on Provost and Presidential Performance (CPPP)  
(five Senators, to include one Executive Committee member)

Chairperson Pynes told senators that CPPP is a very important committee that serves many functions, primary of which is evaluating the President and Provost. He added that much of the work occurs in the spring semester after the data has been collected. The Center for Innovation in Teaching and Research (CITR) helps by running the data and providing specific reports. Senator McNabb asked if the membership is college-specific; Chairperson Pynes responded that it is not.

Senator McIlvaine-Newman volunteered to represent the Executive Committee. Senators Delany-Barmann, Kapale, and Locke volunteered to serve. Senator Boynton nominated Senator DeVolder, who accepted the nomination. There were no further nominations, and the slate of candidates was declared elected.

C. Proposed Council for Instructional Technology Bylaws Amendment

1. First Reading

Chairperson Pynes explained that some of the duties of the Council have been transferred to IT Governance. Additionally, the Registrar has confirmed that her office has oversight of the Online Course Information Database, so it is not necessary to include that under the duties of CIT. The bylaws amendment requires two readings and will be voted on during the Senate meeting of September 13.

**Motion:** To adjourn (McNabb)

The Faculty Senate adjourned at 5:11 p.m.

Heather McIlvaine-Newsad, Faculty Senate Secretary

Annette Hamm, Faculty Senate Recording Secretary