

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
Regular Meeting of the **FACULTY SENATE**
<http://www.wiu.edu/FacultySenate>

Tuesday, 31 August 2021 4:00 p.m.

Via Zoom

ACTION MINUTES

SENATORS PRESENT: D. Atherton, D. Banash, M. Bernards, L. Brice, G. Cabedo-Timmons, J. Choi, Filipink, D., J. Land, I. Lauer, T. Lough, S. Macchi, J. Robinett, R. Sawhney, E. Shupe, S. Syzjka, Y. Tang, E. Taylor, B. Thompson, L. Ebert Wallace, J. Wroblewski

Ex-officio: Russ Morgan, Associate Provost; Betsy Perabo, Parliamentarian

SENATORS ABSENT: C. Suzanne Bailey, D. OG[)]A17(bo,ET@.00000912 0 612 792 reW*ñBT/F1 12 Tf1 C

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arises.

(TBD, Chair, 2021-2022)

1. Annual Report (George Mangalaraj, Chair, 2020-2021)

Chair Mangalaraj reported that CIT acts as focal point for instructional technology. They are regularly visited by UTECH and CITR/ODES who talk about technology needs with them. This year they discussed Respondus, internet infrastructure, and laptop replacements for desktops. One member was in UTAG and goes through IT governance and the Vice Chair of CIT sat on that group.

~~F. Council on Intercollegiate Athletics~~

~~(TBD, Chair, 2021-2022)~~

~~1. Annual Report (Stephen Gray, Chair, 2020-2021)~~

Chair Lauer explained this report was not ready to be presented and will be presented and discussed at a later meeting.

G. Council for International Education
(Miguel Narvaez, Chair, 2021-2022)

2. Annual Report (Miguel Narvaez, Chair, 2020-2021)

Chair Narvaez indicated that the Council evaluated the level of achievement of GI courses. He shared that new members of the Council posed interesting questions and the Council requested more data. The Council is close to finalizing a report for Senate. They also evaluated a course proposal for GI: ARTH 393: Gender and Embodiment in the Visual Arts.

Chair Lauer asked if grades were used as the measure of assessment in global issues. Chair Narvaez responded that courses were assessed on how they were meeting objectives. This was done by looking at syllabi over two-year periods. Specifically, they looked at if syllabi listed CI objective or it serving as a Gen Ed Course. They also explored if there were there differences in the delivery methods.

As a point of information, Chair Lauer reminded Senate that if there are no objections the reports are assumed to be accepted. If there are objections, reports are removed from the agenda and a 2/3 vote is required to restore it to consideration in that meeting or at a later time.

H. Writing Instruction in the Disciplines (WID) Committee
(Doug LaFountain, Chair, 2021-2022)

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noted that the committee has moved away from the binders that used to be prepared and now operates from a virtual shared listing of appointments and vacancies. He acknowledged that there were issues with SNC communicating appointments to committees as that task was traditionally done through the Senate administrative support. He indicated that he had met with incoming Chair Wroblewski and that vacancy nominations would be presented at the September 14 meeting.

Chair Lauer asked if SNC was finding it easier or more difficult to find faculty willing to serve on Committees. Chair Robinett noted that there were fewer faculty on campus and that some areas certainly were getting difficult to fill. Overall, it was getting harder to fill vacant positions.

Chair Lauer asked if anyone was present to speak on behalf of the CGE report; he noted that it was a thorough report. He asked if anyone had questions or concerns for the CGE; there were none. The report was accepted.

IV. Old Business

V. New Business

- A. Election of Senators to serve on Budget Transparency Committee (FA&C and B & T)

Chair Lauer explained that two senators were needed to serve two

Chair Lauer indicated his pleasure at seeing everyone and indicated his hope to be able to see everyone at an in-person meeting at some point.

Vice Chair Thompson reminded the Senate that this is a contract negotiation year. He indicated that UPI is looking for input from everyone; they will be visiting departments via Zoom. Negotiations will start fairly soon with the goal being to finalize the contract in spring.

Chair Lauer entertained a motion to adjourn. Senator Brice moved to adjourn and the meeting concluded at 5:06 pm

NEXT MEETING – SEPTEMBER 14, 2021
Zoom