

MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY
Office of the Provost
University Academic Senate Minutes
May 12, 2008

- I. Call to Order. The meeting was called to order at 3:06 pm. Invocation by Mr. Brock Banks.

Members Present: Mr. Brock Banks, Dr. Margaret Bloom, Mr. Alfredo Cantoral, Fr. Michael Class, S.J., Prof. Patricia Cervenka, Dr. Sharon Chubbuck, Dr. Roberta Coles, Dr. James Courtright, Dr. Robert Deahl, Prof. Edward Fallone, Dr. Marilyn Frenn, Dr. Steven Goldzwig, Dr. Kristin Haglund, Dr. Carla Hay, Dr. William Henk, Dr. Jadwiga Hjertstedt, Mr. Stephen Hudson-Mairet, Dr. John Jentz, Dr. Edward Korabic, Dr. Christine Krueger, Dr. Daniel Meissner, Dr. Alexander Ng, Dr. Kristy Nielson, Dr. John Pauly, Dr. John Pustejovsky, Mr. Jason Rae, Dr. David Shrock, Dr. Sid Syam, Dr. Thomas Taft, Dr. Steven Taylor, Dr. William Thorn, Dr. Marianne Weiss, and Dr. William Wiener.

Members Excused: Dr. Alex Drakopoulos, Mrs. Susan Hopwood, Dr. Sarah Knox, Ms. Janice Simmons-Welburn, and Dr. James South

Members Not Present: Dr. Sriamulu Vinnakota

New Members Present: Prof. Bruce Boyden, Dr. Evelyn Donate-Bartfield, Dr. Cheryl Maranto, and Dr. Wanda Zemler-Cizewski

Guests present: Dr. Kevin Gibson, Dr. Michael Gillespie, Dr. Lisa Hanson, Dr. Edward Inderrieden, Dr. Linda Lee, Mr. Dale Kaser, Ms. Georgia McRae, and Ms. Mary Pat Pfeil.

- II. Approval of April 21, 2008 Minutes

Amendments to the minutes are in italics:

- Chairperson's report point A should read: "More than half of the *full-time* faculty placed an electronic vote"
- Faculty Council report first sentence should read "Next fall *there* will be a"

The minutes were unanimously approved as amended.

- III. Chairperson's Report – Dr. Kristy Nielson

Senators were thanked for their service. An invitation was extended to please stay for the reception. New Senators were introduced to the group.

- IV. Provost Report – Dr. David Shrock

The Senators received a Report on Faculty Salaries from the Provost.

There were 13 candidates (9 male and 4 female) for promotion to associate professor. All 13 candidates were promoted and tenured. There were 5 candidates (4 male and 1 female)

for promotion to full professor. The 4 male candidates were promoted to full professor; the female candidate was not promoted.

The provost thanked the Senators for their service during academic year 2007-2008.

V. Report of Boards and Standing Committees

A. University Board of Undergraduate Studies – Dr. Kevin Gibson/Dr. Margaret Bloom

1. Annual Report – no questions.

2. Motion on University electronic course management system:

The university employs an electronic course management system. It is expected that all faculty will use the system to support course instruction. The minimal expectation for use is posting a syllabus for every course on the electronic course management system course site.

Discussion focused on reasonable exceptions to the motion (e.g. Independent Study). It was noted use of the word “expected” in the motion implied the possibility of exceptions. Listing the exceptions would make the motion cumbersome. An inquiry was made as to how faculty will learn of this expectation? The Provost replied that, if approved, the policy would be included in the Faculty Handbook. A brief discussion ensued concerning deleting the third sentence in the motion. Senators were reminded that the proposed policy originated with MUSG and clearly reflects a cultural shift in student learning.

28 senators voted in favor, 2 voted in opposition, 1 abstained. The motion passed.

B. University Board of Graduate Studies – Dr. Edward Inderrieden / Dr. William Wiener

1. Annual Report. A correction was made in the report: Doctor of Nursing Practice (not Doctorate of Nurse Practitioner). In response to an inquiry about guidelines for chairing dissertation and theses committees, Dr. Wiener said that Departments will be asked to devise guidelines and forward them to the Graduate School.

2. Certificates from the College of Engineering

a. Motion to Approve New Certificate in Engineering Innovation

b. Motion to Approve New Certificate in New Product and Process Development

Motions a & b were voted on together. There was no discussion.

31 senators voted in favor, none voted in opposition, none abstained. The motions passed.

c. Motion to Approve Discontinuing Certificate in Profit

31 senators voted in favor, none voted in opposition, none abstained. The motion passed.

C. Faculty Council – Dr. William Thorn

The Annual Report will be forth coming, as the last council meeting of the year was held last week. Next year Prof. Fallone will chair a committee on health care for retirees. The committee will report to the UAS in February or March. Dr. Elise Sampson will chair a committee regarding proposed state legislation authorizing carrying concealed weapons on campus. A faculty computing committee will be formed in fall.

D. Committee on Academic Policies & Issues
Annual Report. No questions.

E. Committee on Faculty Welfare – Dr. Richard Abrams

1. Annual Report. No questions.

2. Motion: Tuition Exchange Program.

The group realized after the presentation last month that additional information was needed before Senators would be able to vote on this motion. A task force will be formed to investigate the financial costs of the program.

VI. Unfinished Business

VII. New Business

A. Annual Reports. No questions were received on the following reports:

1. Board of Student Media

2. Committee on Research

3. Committee on Teaching

4. Committee on Committee and Elections

5. University Library Board

6. University Assessment Committee

B. Elections

Dr. Nielson briefed the UAS on some logistical problems with the scheduled elections. The UAS bylaws stipulate that the continuing and new Senators constitute the electorate, but the new student and dean representatives have not been selected and several new faculty Senators were unable to attend the meeting. Dr. Nielson recommended that the bylaws be suspended and the current membership of the UAS constitute the electorate. A motion to that effect was made and seconded.

30 senators voted in favor, one voted in opposition, none abstained. The motion passed.

It was recommended that a representative of the COCE preside during the election to eliminate any perceived conflict of interest by having a current officer who is a candidate for offices preside. Next year's officers will review the UAS bylaws and recommend changes so that the election process is clear.

1. Officers of University Academic Senate

The recommended slate generated by the Executive Committee was as follows:

Dr. William Thorn (Chair), Prof. Edward Fallone (Vice Chair) and Dr. Kristy Nielson (Secretary). Additional nominations from the floor were solicited. None were received.

32 senators voted in favor of the slate, none voted in opposition, none abstained. The slate was elected.

2. Senators (2) as Faculty representatives to Executive Committee
The slate presented was: Dr. Steven Taylor, Dr. Sharon Chubbuck and Fr. Michael Class, S.J. No further nominations were received. A motion to close nominations was unanimously approved. Ballots were distributed and subsequently counted by the Committee on Committee and Elections Chairperson, Dr. Roberta Coles. Dr. Chubbuck received 24 votes; Dr. Taylor received 20 votes, and Fr. Class received 18 votes. Dr. Taylor and Dr. Chubbuck were elected.
3. Senator Representative to various subcommittees.
The Executive Committee presented a slate for vacancies on the following committees.
No additional nominations were received from the floor.
 - a. Faculty Council: Dr. Siddhartha Syam and Dr. John Jentz
 - b. Committee on Academic Policies & Issues: Dr. Wanda Zemler-Cizewski, Dr. James Courtright, and Dr. Marilyn Frenn
 - c. Committee on Faculty Welfare: Dr. Jadwiga Hjerstedt
 - d. Senate liaison to University Board of Graduate Studies: Dr. Kristin Haglund
 - e. Senate liaison to University Board of Undergraduate Studies: Dr. Diane Hoeveler

33 senators voted in favor, none voted in opposition, none abstained. The motion passed.

Dr. Thorn thanked Dr. Nielson for her work as Chair of the Task Force on Shared Governance and for her leadership during the University Academic Senate's first year. Dr. Nielson received a standing ovation by the Senators.

There was a motion to adjourn which was seconded. The meeting concluded at 4:23 pm.