

# MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY

## Office of the Provost

University Academic Senate Minutes - November 19, 2007

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1. The meeting was called to order at 3:07 pm with a reflection from Dr. Thomas Taft.  
Members present: Mr. Brock Banks, Dr. Margaret Bloom, Mr. Alfredo Cantoral, Ms. Patricia Cervenka, Dr. Sharon Chubbuck, Fr. Michael Class, SJ, Dr. Robert Deahl, Dr. Alex Drakopoulos, Prof. Edward Fallone, Dr. Marilyn Frenn, Dr. Kristin Haglund, Dr. Carla Hay, Dr. Jadwiga Hjertstedt, Mrs. Susan Hopwood, Mr. Stephen Hudson-Mairet, Dr. John Jentz, Dr. Edward Korabic, Dr. Christine Krueger, Dr. Michael McKinney, Dr. Alexander Ng, Dr. Kristy Nielson, Dr. John Pauly, Mr. Jason Rae, Dr. David Shrock, Dr. Thomas Taft, Dr. Steven Taylor, Dr. William Thorn, , Dr. Marianne Weiss, and Dr. William Wiener.  
Guests: Dr. Kevin Gibson, Mr. Joseph Glass (Tribune Reporter), Mr. Dale Kaser, Dr. Gary Levy, Mr. Mykl Novak, Ms. Mary Pat Pfeil, Ms. Janice Simmons-Welburn, and Mr. Dan Smith.  
Members excused: Dr. Steven Goldzwig, Dr. William Henk, Dr. Sarah Knox, Dr. Daniel Meissner, Dr. Sarah Peck, Dr. James South, Dr. James Trebby, Dr. Sriramulu Vinnakota, Dr. Madeline Wake and Dr. Wanda Zemler-Cizewski

2. The minutes of October 15, 2007 were unanimously approved.

3. Chairperson's Report – Dr. Kristy Nielson

Dr. Kris Ropella was named professor of the year. A Resolution was presented: Be it Resolved that University Academic Senate congratulates Dr. Kris Ropella on receiving the Professor of the Year Award for the State of Wisconsin. It is a well deserved honor and the University Academic Senate wishes to express appreciation for her outstanding service to Marquette and her students. This resolution was unanimously approved.

Dr. Bloom acknowledged and thanked the Committee on Teaching for preparing the dossiers for the two Marquette faculty who received this honor in 2006 and 2007.

Dr. Taft presented the following resolution which was unanimously approved:

Whereas, Madeline Wake has served the past five years as the first Provost of Marquette University; and whereas, Dr. Wake has worked tirelessly to promote Marquette University and its faculty; and whereas, Provost Wake has been an advocate for shared governance; and whereas, Dr. Wake is respected for her enthusiasm, dedication and personal standards of excellence; be it resolved, on this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November 2007 that the University Academic Senate recognizes the contributions made by Dr. Madeline Wake during her tenure as Provost and wishes her well in all of her future endeavors.

Dr. Nielson observed that the Senators will need to plan for the turnover in the membership and officers of the UAS that will occur in the Spring.

4. Provost Report given by Dr. Margaret Bloom  
Marquette University has now completed the first assessment cycle. An inventory of learning outcomes was developed. Dr. Chris Krueger and Ms. Aimee McGinty were thanked for their work in this area.

5. Report of Boards and Standing Committees

a. University Board of Undergraduate Studies

With the change of the School of Education to the College of Education the following majors should be discontinued. It was clarified for the group that when a major is being discontinued no new students will be enrolled in the program. Current freshman and new freshman in 2008 will be in the College of Education. Upper classman will be able to complete the current program. All the majors will align with the DPI standards for the College of Education. The primary major is elementary or secondary education. The student declares a second major in a subject area in the College of Arts & Sciences or the College of Communication. Senators expressed concern when Dr. Bloom commented that advising for both the primary and secondary major would be done by personnel in the College of Education. After some discussion, Dr. Bloom stated that personnel in the second major could be responsible for advising in the second major.

The following items were voted on collectively:

**Motion to approve:** Discontinuation of Physics Teaching Major

**Motion to approve:** Discontinuation of Teaching Major in Communication Studies

**Motion to approve:** Discontinuation of Teaching Major in Journalism

**Motion to approve:** Discontinuation of Teaching Major in Theater Arts

**Twenty-five senators voted in favor, none voted in opposition, none abstained. The motions pass.**

There was no discussion regarding the discontinuation of the following Minors: Teaching Minor in Economics, Physics Teaching Minor, Teaching Minor in Communication Studies, Teaching Minor in Journalism, and Teaching Minor in Theatre Arts.

b. University Board of Graduate Studies – No report was given.

c. Faculty Council – Dr. Bill Thorn

A faculty member on the committee has resigned and they are looking for a replacement. The University Ombuds Ms. Kerry Egdorf will be attending the Council's regular meetings. Steve Duffy gave a presentation at their last meeting regarding benefits for faculty considering retirement. He reported that additional revenue would be needed to comply with current Federal accounting standards. The Faculty Council will continue to work on this. At its November meeting, the Faculty Council unanimously supported the following motion:

The University Academic Senate requests that the Provost annually submit to the University Academic Senate a report comparing Marquette University's regular faculty salaries to faculty salaries nationally, on the model of the report provided by Provost Madeline Wake in the spring of 2007.

d. Committee on Academic Policies & Issues – Mrs. Linda Milson (no report)

This committee will report at the January meeting on how faculty titles at Marquette compare with nomenclature used at other universities.

6. Unfinished Business

- a. Prototype to develop faculty driven ideas – Mr. Dan Smith and Mr. Mykl Novak. Mr. Dan Smith and Mr. Mykl Novak are ready for the prototype to go in to production. Currently less than half of the senators have previewed the website. <http://www.marquette.edu/ahha/>. A question was raised as to who would be “harvesting” the ideas. Does the University Academic Senate need to draft a policy on the purpose and use of the site? It was agreed that the UAS Executive Committee would undertake this task. In the interim, the site will be restricted to members of the Senate.

7. New Business

- a. From Committee on Research – Dr. William Wiener

**Motion to approve:** To change Statutes for Committee on Research regarding membership (Article 4, Section 7.02). The change recommended is to have the Chair of the Committee be a voting faculty member of the committee. A parallel resolution will be submitted by the Committee on Teaching in January.

The membership paragraph closing sentences to include the Chair as a voting member should read: The Vice Provost for Research and Dean of the Graduate School, and the Director of Research and Sponsored Programs shall serve as nonvoting members. The Chair of the Committee will be a faculty member elected by and from the voting members of the committee.

**Twenty-four senators voted in favor, none voted in opposition, none abstained. The motion passes.**

- b. From Core Curriculum Review Committee and Marquette University Student Government **Motion to approve:** To change Statutes for Core Curriculum Committee regarding membership (Amend Article 4, Section 8.02). The motion comes from Jason Rae. The CCRC has reviewed the motion to include a student for a one-year term. Motioned seconded by Dr. Krueger.

The membership paragraph closing sentences to include the student as a voting member should read: The committee also includes one undergraduate student representative to be appointed by the Marquette University Student Government as a voting member. Faculty members serve a three-year term and the student member serves a one-year term. The Director of the University Core of Common Studies serves as the non-voting Chair of the Committee.

**Twenty-three senators voted in favor, none voted in opposition, one abstained. The motion passes.**

Dr. Taft reported that the Dental School accreditation report recommends accreditation without qualification.

The meeting concluded at 4:29 pm.