

MARQUETTE UNIVERSITY

Office of the Provost

Academic Senate Minutes
November 20, 2006

1. Call to Order. The meeting began at 3:07 p.m. with a prayer led by Dr. Sharon Chubbuck.

Members Present: Dr. Lea Acord, Prof. Daniel Blinka, Dr. Margaret Bloom, Dr. Jack Brooks, Dr. Sharon Chubbuck, Dr. William Cullinan, Mr. Kail Decker, Dr. Marilyn Frenn, Dr. Steven Goldzwig, Dr. Kim Halula, Dr. Carla Hay, Dr. William Henk, Ms. Kristen Kamm, Dr. Christine Krueger, Dr. Alan Lacy, Dr. Michael McKinney, Ms. Georgia McRae, Dr. Daniel Meissner, Dr. Kristy Nielson, Ms. Julie O’Keeffe, Dr. Sarah Peck Mr. Jason Rae, Dr. David Shrock, Dr. James South, Dr. Thomas Taft, Dr. Madeline Wake, Dr. William Wiener and Dr. Wanda Zemler-Cizewski

Members Excused: Dr. Robert Deahl and Dr. Marianne Weiss

Members Unexcused: Dr. Richard Marklin

Guests Present: Dr. Jay Caulfield, Ms. Brittany Clement (Tribune Reporter), Ms. Jean Dole, Dr. Edward Inderrieden, Mr. Dale Kaser, Dr. Linda Lee, Ms. Kimberly Newman, Ms. Mary Pat Pfeil, Ms. Julie Tolan

2. Minutes: Approval of Minutes for October 16, 2006.
The minutes were approved as presented.

3. Provost Report

- a. Enrollment Update

This year we anticipate over 12,000 applications. Currently we have 18% more applicants than last year at this time. The decision date is December 1. The Senators voted and would like to have updated information sent to them in the middle of December.

- b. Centers and Institutes

On the goldenrod colored handout is a list of centers and institutes that have been reviewed by each unit’s business managers for the funding source. Centers normally resides within a college and report to the dean of the college. An Institute may include faculty from several colleges and have one or more centers affiliated with it. Institutes report to the Provost. Definitions and guidelines on creating a center or institute can be found on the Provost website. During the next twelve months all current institutes and centers will be reviewed. Some existing centers or institutes may be grandfathered, have names changed or discontinued. Any changes in current centers and institutes will be presented to the Senate for approval.

- c. Operational Plan

The operational plan has been to the Deans Council and the Board of Undergraduate Studies. The Board of Undergraduate Studies is reviewing the option on which areas

they will undertake an analysis on this year. When this feedback is received the Provost Office will send the final version to the Senators.

Dr. Wake noted that the Shared Governance report will not be done at this meeting. It is being reviewed by Father Wild and General Counsel. Dr. Wake will be doing additional work with the task force. It may be ready to be presented at the January meeting.

d. Other.

Currently the university has active searches for the Dean of Health Sciences, Director of the Haggerty Museum of Art and an Omsbud. Any grievances should be directed to Lynn Mellantine or our employee assistance program until this position is filled.

4. University Board of Undergraduate Studies – Dr. Kevin Gibson

The application norms were presented to the Senators as an information item. Testing scores are based on an average ACT of 26.1. This is one indicator used in admission. Legacy families, board members, and high profile individuals are given special attention. Georgia McRae will discuss this at a future Deans Council. According to Federal Standards a New Freshman is defined as a student coming to college for the first time regardless of how many credits earned through Advanced Placement are brought with them.

5. University Board of Graduate Studies – Dr. Ed Inderrieden

Dr. Wake reminded the group that the discussion regarding the Doctor of Education Degree was tabled last time. Dr. Hay made a motion to take it off the table which was seconded by Dr. Krueger. A vote was taken and all the Senators were in favor. There have been no students in the last several years who have expressed an interest in the program. There was no discussion.

MOTION – Discontinue the Doctor of Education Degree (Ed.D).

VOTE –All the senators voted in favor of the motion. There were no abstention and no opposing votes.

MOTION PASSED

MOTION – Approval Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering Certificates:

1. Graduate Certificate for Construction Engineering and Management
2. Graduate Certificate for Water Resources Engineering
3. Graduate Certificate for Water and Wastewater Treatment Processes
4. Graduate Certificate for Transportation
5. Graduate Certificate for Structural Design

Certificates constitute of between 12 and 18 credit hours and meet the needs of the engineering community. There is space available in all the currently offered courses. The Board of Graduate Studies approved this unanimously. This offering will generate new students that desire certification.

VOTE –All the senators voted in favor of the motion. There were no abstention and no opposing votes.

MOTION PASSED

College of Communications notified the Academic Senate of the ending of the Specialization in Religious Communication. There have been only four students that have gone through the program one at a time. There are no current students enrolled in the program at this time.

MOTION – Academic Senate should vote to approve action on specializations.

A discussion ensued regarding specializations and the role of the Academic Senate. Senators noted that they would like to have access to the minutes of the bodies that have previously reviewed the materials prior to them. The minutes could be obtained from the Marquette University website.

VOTE –All the senators voted in favor of the motion. There were no abstention and no opposing votes.

MOTION PASSED

6. Campaign Presentation – Julie Tolan and Jean Dole

Provided an overview of the upcoming campaign. A campaign is an organized and intense effort to secure extraordinary level of support during a defined period of time to identify specific needs that are crucial to the mission and goals of an institution.

The meeting concluded at 4:54 p.m.