

**Faculty Senate
Washburn University**

*Minutes of December 12, 2005 Meeting
Kansas Room, Memorial Union*

Present: Bahner, Baker, Borden, Boyd, Camarda, Chorba, Concannon, Dinkel, Evans, Jacobs (President), Khan, Lockwood, Luce-Parker, Martin, Meador, Nobo, Ockree, Patzel, Pownell, Renn-Scanlan, Roach, Russell, C. Schmidt, S. Schmidt, Wasserstein

- I. The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:30 PM.
- II. The minutes of the November 14th, 2005 Faculty Senate meeting were amended and approved.
- III. The President's Report was given.
 - A. The President announced that the BAHFA is presently under revision and will not be available until the revisions are completed.
 - B. It was further announced that the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate recommended that the Faculty Affairs Committee should consider and look for issues of concern regarding the newly approved Conflict of Interest and Standards of Conduct, and Conflict of Interest Regulations and Procedures. There was no objection by those in attendance.
 - C. The meeting dates of the Faculty Senate meetings were announced and will be posted on the Faculty Senate webpage.
- IV. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents. – There was no report.
- V. Faculty Senate Committee Reports.
 - A. The motion to receive the report of the Academic Affairs Committee for 11/14/2005 was passed.
 - B. The minutes of the Faculty Affairs Committee of 11/21/2005, including an informal report on Kansas taxing of TIAA-CREF pension distributions to WU employees, were accepted.
- VI. University Committee Minutes.
 - A. The motion to receive the minutes of the International Education Committee for 11/17/2005, the Library Committee for 11/09/2005, and the Research Grant Committee for 11/08/2005 passed.
- VII. Old Business.
 - A. The proposal for the Deletion of the Military Studies Certificate from the University Catalog (05-10) was approved.
- VIII. New Business – There was no New Business.

IX. Discussion Items.

- A. President Jacobs announced that the faculty members to serve on the Committee on Academic Integrity (CAI) would include four Faculty Senators (Dinkel, Ray, Concannon, Pownell) and three non-Faculty Senate members (Jim Martin, Kark Kaufman, Tracy Wagner). It was noted that the first meeting of the CAI will take place early in the Spring 2006 semester at which time the members of the CAI will elect one of the Faculty Senate members as Chair.
- B. President Jacobs encouraged those in attendance to voice any issues they may have and that the CAI may want to address. Those in attendance were encouraged to submit any additional comments to those Faculty Senate members who will be serving on the CAI. The following issues were voiced at the meeting:
- i. the CAI should examine those policies relating to academic integrity that are already in place and in effect (e.g., policy on academic impropriety);
 - ii. the CAI should attempt to determine the reasons students have for committing academic impropriety so as to hopefully eliminate or minimize those factors;
 - iii. resources pertaining to the issue of academic impropriety and integrity should be made available to the faculty;
 - iv. the CAI should consider ways of establishing a campus culture of honesty and responsibility and, thus, academic integrity;
 - v. the extent to which culture affects academic integrity should be considered;
 - vi. an attempt should be made to determine the extent to which academic impropriety occurs on our campus;
 - vii. the extent to which academic impropriety and integrity applies to online classes needs to be considered.
 - viii. the extent to which unethical behavior occurs outside the classroom needs to also be considered.

X. Announcements – There were no announcements.

XI. The meeting was adjourned at 4:31 PM.

Respectfully submitted by Mike Russell, Secretary to the Faculty Senate