

**Faculty Senate
Washburn University**

*Minutes of May 9, 2011
Kansas Room, Memorial Union*

Present: Angel, Arterburn, Barker, Bird, Blank, Childers, Croucher, Dodge, Edwards, Fernengel, Fry, Gonzalez-Abellas, Griffin, Jacobs, Kelly, Kowalski, Melick, Menzie, Morse, Ockree, Pembroke (VPAA), Pilgram, Rich, Roach, Routsong, Sanchez, Schmidt, Shaver, Sheldon, Sorenson, Tate (AVPAA), Wagner, Weigand, Wohl

- I. The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:31 PM. Russ Jacobs presiding.
- II. The minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting of April 11, 2011 were approved.
- III. President's Opening Remarks.
The President welcomed all the new senators and thanked the departing senators for their work. Pres Jacobs reported to the FS that the VPAA has begun using the Executive Committee as a sounding board for academic issues; they had an interesting first meeting, in which they discussed the future of general education and the faculty senate in the eyes of the schools.
- IV. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents
Jacobs reported that the BoR met on April 22 with a very light agenda. At that time, the President confirmed that budget work was on hold until the fate of the \$5.5 million cut is decided. Mike Russell made a presentation on the status of WTE that was well-received, and a strategic plan one-year update was also presented.
- V. Update from the VPAA:
VPAA Pembroke announced that a CIO decision would be made by the end of the week. He provided information that the Brewster Place Center for Healthy Living is looking for partnerships to help lives of long-term care residents, including internships, sharing speakers, etc. Pembroke asked senators to think of ideas where WU could contribute. Pembroke told senators there have been conversations with IT concerning Banner and Angel compatibility. He provided information on the HLC improvement initiative. Conversations will begin this summer with input from faculty. Convocation in the fall will be a combined student/faculty convocation on August 22 from 4-5:30 followed by a picnic. Last, AAC officially recommended Option 2 of the Gen Ed recommendations. There are many questions still to be addressed, including assessment. May try to create an ad hoc committee to address these and other implementation issues.
- VI. Presentation by Elliott Haugen, Interim CIO.
Mr. Haugen presented an update to faculty senate on the activities completed during his tenure as interim CIO and thanked faculty senators for their involvement.
- VII. Faculty Senate Committee Reports –
 - a. Academic Affairs Committee Minutes of March 31, 2011 were approved.
- VIII. University Committee Minutes
 - a. Minutes of the Assessment Committee meeting of March 11, 2011 were accepted.

IX. Old Business. –

- a. 11-18 Approval of WU 101
Motion to table until fall: failed
Motion to approve WU 101: passed.
Motion to sent to first general faculty meeting in the fall: passed

X. New Business –

- a. Election of Officers for 2011-2012
Steve Angel – President
Bill Roach – Vice-President
Vickie Kelly – Secretary
Rick Barker – Parliamentarian
Lori Edwards – SON Exec council rep
Bill Rich – SOL Exec council rep

XI. Information Items : there no information items

XII. Discussion Items: there were no discussion items

XIII. Announcements: there were no announcements.

XIV. Adjournment: the meeting was adjourned at 4:39 pm