MINUTES OF THE THIRD MEETING OF THE 2008-09 UNIVERSITY SENATE
Thursday, October 2, 2008

Members Present:  58  Members Absent:  6

1. The meeting was called to order by the chairperson of the University Senate, Brien Smith, at 4:00 p.m. Roll Call was taken by initialing the roster located at the entrance to LB 125.


Substitutes:  Jane Ellery for D. Haber, Martha Hunt for C. Marlow, Brian Meekin for C. Munchel, Eric Pierson for K. Speirs-Neumeister, Jeong Han Kim for P. Spengler, Lisa Jarrell for B. Wills

Members Absent:  D. Chen, O. Dotson, M. Harvey, T. Hinds, E. Kelly, W. Sharp

2. A motion was made and seconded (Supa/Clark) to approve the minutes of September 4, 2008

The motion carried.

3. Announcements

A. Next scheduled meetings

   Senate Agenda Committee – October 27, 2008, 8:00 a.m., AT 202F
   University Senate – November 6, 2008, 4:00 p.m., LB 125

B. Change of Chairperson for Teachers College Dean’s Search Committee

   The chairperson of the search committee has changed from Dean Sabatine to Dean Maggiotto.

5. Recognition of Death – Dr. Peggy Ramstad

6. Committee Reports

A. Governance and Elections Committee – Eva Zygmunt-Fillwalk, Chairperson

   Eva reported that the committee did not meet; no agenda items were sent forward.

B. Faculty Council – Barry Umansky, Chairperson

   Barry reported that the council met and had a productive meeting. Two items were sent to the Office of the Provost for review.

C. University Council – Laura Helms, Chairperson

   Laura reported that the council met and were updated on the work of the task force on professional personnel regarding compensation for external grant writing.
D. Campus Council – Matthew Whitlock, Chairperson

Matthew reported that the council met and has elected officers. The executive committee will meet soon to appoint campus council representatives to the various committees.

7. Report by Chairperson of the Senate – Brien Smith (Senate Agenda, 10/2/08, Enclosure #1)

Brien reported that there are two new items in the senate system listed under the University Council and the Faculty Council. A revised GANTT chart was available in the back of the room.

8. Questions to the President

A. A senator asked if Ball State has invested in Common Funds, Wachovia, for example. The President responded that the university does have Foundation funds in these accounts.

President Gora reported that she just returned from visiting Dante Love. He is walking and should be released from the rehabilitation hospital in three to four weeks. He is anxious to get back to class. His spirits are good and the athletic department is taking good care of him.

9. Question and Answer Period

There were no questions.

10. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

11. New Business

A. Policies and Procedures for Undergraduate Certificate Programs (Senate Agenda 10/2/08, Enclosure #2)

A motion was made and seconded (Umansky/Adams) to place on the senate floor for discussion. Michael Spillman, chairperson of the Undergraduate Education Committee, was present to discuss the issue and answer questions.

The motion to approve the Policies and Procedures for Undergraduate Certificate Programs carried.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

November 6, 2008

Brien Smith, Chairperson       Michael Brown, Secretary

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