

MINUTES OF THE SECOND MEETING OF THE 2005-06 UNIVERSITY SENATE  
Thursday, September 8, 2005

Members Present: 59

Members Absent: 7

1. The meeting was called to order by the Chairperson of the University Senate, Bruce Hozeski, at 4:00 p.m. Roll call was taken by initialing the roster located at the entrance to CN 160.

Members Present: Beckie Adams, Deborah Balogh, Hayley Boothe, Lambert Deckers, Ione DeOllos, James Eflin, Steve Geraci, Kimberly Gorman, David Haber, Dale Hahn, James Helton, Bruce Hozeski, Renee Huffman, Saiful Islam, Lathrop Johnson, Sarojini Johnson, Kyama Kabadaki, Kibujjo Kalumba, Chris Lehnertz, Asher Lisec, Joe Losco, James McClure, William McCune, Michael McGrew, Jerome McKean, Beth Messner, Wayne Meyer, Betsy Mills, Harold Mortimer, Winnie Mucherah, Klaus Neumann, James Olesen, Charles Payne, David Pearson, Mark Popovich, Gretchen Reid, James Rybarczyk, Gary Schultz, Ray Shackelford, Ronald Spangler, Adam Stegner, Frederick Suppe, Benjamin Tietz, Barry Umansky, John Vann, Graham Watson, Barbara Wills, Paul Wohlt, Edward Wolner, Robert Yadon, Terry Zivney, Eva Zygmunt-Fillwalk

Members Absent: Alice Dyson, Michael Hawkins, James Jones, Lisa Patchner, William Sharp, Paul Spengler

Substitutes: O'Neal Smitherman for Jo Ann Gora, Nina Yssel for Michael Harvey, Munni Begum for Michael Karls, John Boone for Christopher Kurtz, W.R. Wrege for James Schmutte, Patricia Parkison for Elizabeth Whittern, Ashley Johnson (Pro Tempore position from SGA)

2. Bruce Hozeski discussed the necessity for all committees to meet and elect officers as quickly as possible so there can be a meeting for officers to go over the operation of the new governance system.

Bruce explained that the system should operate proactively, rather than reactively. If a Senator, Council member, or committee member, sees something that needs to be discussed, they are encouraged to bring it forward for discussion.

He discussed the responsibility of university governance in setting policies and not being concerned with the process or implementation of the policy which is the responsibility of the administration.

3. A motion was made (Tietz) to reaffirm the Standing Rules for Conducting Senate Business.

After discussion, the motion was seconded (L.Johnson), and **carried**.

4. Joe Losco reported on the submission of the 1-2-1 Agreement submitted by Cyrus Reed of the International Programs Committee. This agreement requires no action at the present time, but may need review by the Undergraduate Education Committee at some point. The document will be reviewed first by the University Council since the International Programs Committee is under that Council.
5. Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, Deborah Balogh, recognized the deaths of Thomas A. Bilger, Raymond F. Gale, Mary Elizabeth Johnson, Nina B. Marshall, and Richard J. Pollak (Attachment #1)
6. Council and Committee Reports

A. Governance and Elections Committee – Ione DeOllos, Chairperson

1. University Senate Membership (Enclosure #4)

A motion was made (A.Lisec) to accept the membership list as corrected.

The motion was seconded (B.Tietz), and **carried**.

B. Faculty Council – Joe Losco, Chairperson

The Chairperson reported that the Agenda Committee will meet on September 12 and the Council will meet on September 22. The Graduate Education Committee has two items for the agenda and the University Promotion and Tenure document regarding Supplemental External Review Letters for Promotion to Professor will be on the agenda for the meeting on September 22.

A request was made to send the Council meeting dates for the year to the members prior to the meeting on September 22.

C. University Council – Adam Stegner, Vice Chairperson

The Chairperson reported that the Agenda Committee met on September 2 and the Council will meet on September 15, 4:00 p.m. in BB 100.

D. Campus Council – Asher Lisec, Chairperson

The Chairperson reported that the Campus Council will have their meeting on September 29. The two items on their agenda for review will be the Policy on Consensual Sexual Relationships and the Grade Appeals Policy.

E. University Core Curriculum Task Force II – Juli Eflin, Chairperson

The Chairperson reported that the Task Force will be meeting on September 13 to consider the model that the Task Force has developed after reviewing the feedback from the University Community.

7. Report by Chairperson of the Senate – Bruce Hozeski  
(Enclosure #5 – Issues in the Senate System)

University Senate Chairperson Bruce Hozeski reviewed the two documents in the enclosure. The first document was the Issues list from 2004-05 and the second document reflects the redirection of the issues to the committee under the new Council system.

8. Questions Directed to the President

Vice President O'Neal Smitherman, representing President Gora, introduced Tom Taylor, Vice President for Enrollment, Marketing and Communications, and Kay Bales, Dean of the Division of Student Affairs.

Kay Bales informed the Senate of their efforts in contacting current students with permanent residence in Mississippi, Alabama and Louisiana after the devastation of Hurricane Katrina. These students expressed appreciation to the University for the assistance they have received from the University. She added that the office of Leadership and Service Learning is the clearinghouse for the campus and they are working with Red Cross which, at the present time, needs monetary support. She has suggested that those who would like to help to do so through a service agency and not travel to the affected areas alone. She asked that travel plans be directed through Larry Cistrelli, Director of Risk Management and Insured Benefits Programs. She added that three students have been deployed to these regions and subsequently had to withdraw from the University.

Tom Taylor added that five students have enrolled at the University after being displaced by the hurricane. The University is waiving Fall tuition for these students. He noted that they

are receiving extraordinary cooperation throughout the University in getting these students enrolled and in class as soon as possible.

A Senator (L.Deckers) inquired about the statement that Ball State is an “entrepreneurial university” and its direct meaning. O’Neal Smitherman, representing the President, responded that Ball State is trying to discover innovative and creative ways through outside funding to fund programs throughout the University.

A Senator (M.Popovich) inquired about the Provost’s search and opportunity for faculty to evaluate the candidates. O’Neal Smitherman responded that the evaluations will be shared with the University community. There will be an evaluation form similar to a Dean’s Search form. He added that the President is interested in keeping the current timeframe to appoint a new Provost.

A Senator (F.Suppe) inquired about the timetable for the Strategic Plan. Interim Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs Deborah Balogh responded that the Task Force worked through the summer and discovered that they need to make accommodations for the new leadership at the University. Therefore, the work of the individual units will take place through the academic year. She would expect their report to be available at the end of this academic year or the beginning of the next academic year. She added that there would be forums throughout the year for feedback and comments.

A Senator (J.McClure) inquired about the possibility of employing displaced faculty from the hurricane for two-week visiting opportunities? He indicated that faculty might know of individuals who would be willing to participate. O’Neal Smitherman responded that this had not been discussed by the University administration.

A Senator (J.Losco) asked for clarification regarding the surveys for the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs position and the availability for review by the University Community. Will these be made available immediately after the last candidate leaves for everyone to review? O’Neal Smitherman responded that there will be a secure room for individuals to review the surveys.

9. Question and Answer Period

There were no questions.

10. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

11. New Business

There was no new business.

12. Other Items

- A. University Chairperson Bruce Hozeski discussed the work of the University Core Curriculum Task Force – II . He would like for the Senate to have a goal to get this model passed through the Senate by the end of the Fall semester.
- B. David Pearson, Parliamentarian, discussed the possibility of advancing the Senate technologically. He offered the possibility of using Blackboard where minutes and agendas could be filed as well as voting and roll call handled electronically. He sought the input of the Senate regarding their interest prior to working on this venture.

Discussion ensued. It was suggested that the Information Technologies Committee research the possibility and introduce it to the Senate system through the Senate Agenda Committee.

13. Adjournment

A motion was made (S.Geraci) to adjourn the meeting.

The motion was seconded (B.Tietz), and **carried**.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

October 6, 2005

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Bruce W. Hozeski, Chairperson

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Mark Popovich, Secretary

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The members of the University Senate recognize with regret the deaths of:

**Thomas A. Bilger**, Registrar and Director of Registration and Academic Progress, who served Ball State for 21 years. Mr. Bilger came to this university in 1984 after working as Registrar at Frostburg State in Maryland for nine years. A professional in every respect, he was a diligent, congenial employee who handled and completed his tasks without apparent pressure. His colleagues have repeatedly said what a pleasure it was to work with him, and they will remember him for his kindness and yes, even his corny jokes. Held in high esteem by the professionals in his field, he was national past president of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers. Locally, he was active in the Jaycees, Kiwanis Club, and the Boy Scouts of America. Mr. Bilger died on July 26, 2005.

**Raymond F. Gale**, Professor Emeritus of Psychology-Educational Psychology, who retired in 1983 after almost three decades of devoted service. During a career in education spanning 50 years, Dr. Gale published six books on humanistic and developmental psychology, as well as numerous articles in professional journals. He also taught graduate courses to Air Force personnel in Europe from 1972 through 1976, and served as a consultant for psychology and political science programs to China and Russia for eight years. Additionally, he was a past president of the East Central Indiana Personnel and Guidance Association. His numerous professional affiliations included Phi Delta Kappa, the American Psychological Association, the International Association of Humanistic Psychology, and the American Academy of Sciences.

**Mary Elizabeth Johnson**, Associate Professor Emerita of Library and Librarian at Burris Laboratory School, who retired in 1982 after 33 years of service. Miss Johnson taught for twelve years in several Indiana high schools before joining the faculty at Burris in 1949. There she faithfully and diligently taught several generations of students, designing materials for high school students to use in individual library research. She also wrote a history of the Burris Library spanning 50 years and visited other school media centers to study new materials and methods of teaching in the use of library resources. Miss Johnson was a member of the University Senate's Library Committee, North Central Evaluation Teams, and the Curriculum Committee of Burris School. She was also active in the American Library Association.

**Nina B. Marshall**, Professor of Art, passed away on May 9, 2005, after serving Ball State University for 20 years. An accomplished artist in painting and printmaking, as well as an excellent teacher, Professor Marshall received fellowships, awards, and prizes from the Indiana Arts Commission, The Mary Anderson Center, and the university itself, as well as other regional and national competitions. Her work was also presented in journals and books, including *New American Paintings* and *The Art of Encaustic Painting*. Typical of her efforts to enrich the educational experience for Ball State students and the community, most recently she co-authored a grant to bring six prominent painters to the Atrium Gallery in a program to show their work and

conduct workshops and panels. Professor Marshall's generosity, style, and friendship will be greatly missed.

**Richard J. Pollak**, Associate Professor of Architecture, who served Ball State University from 1966-74. In addition to his faculty load, he served for a time as Administrative Assistant to the College Dean, and even after leaving the university, he was a frequent visiting faculty member and guest lecturer. In addition, he served on the college's Advisory Board. A member of the American Institute of Architects, Mr. Pollak was chairman of the board of Browning Construction, Inc., and had extensive architectural experience in the design of both public and private sector projects for 40 years. He also spent a year with the U.S. Department of the Interior and the Smithsonian Institution appraising and documenting historic landmark properties in New York, Pennsylvania, Virginia, and Massachusetts.

Please let the minutes of the Senate record our regret of their loss and our appreciation of the contributions they made to Ball State University.