

MINUTES OF THE FOURTH MEETING OF THE 2008-09 UNIVERSITY SENATE  
Thursday, November 6, 2008

Members Present: 54

Members Absent: 11

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.

Members Present: N. Ahmed, C. Airriess, R. Bellaver, R. Bremigan, M. Brown, P. Chandler, J. Clark, C. Cozad, G. Crawley, L. Deckers, O. Dotson, E. Dugan, A. Farmer, J. Faroh, J. Green, M. Groover, D. Grosnick, M. Guntsche, M. Harvey, F. Hood, B. Hozeski, K. Kalumba, C. Kapinus, T. King, D. LeBlanc, J. Ledbetter, M. Maggiotto, L. Markle, C. Marlow, C. Munchel, P. Parkison, R. Rarick, J. Rybarczyk, L. Shaffer, D. Shawger, G. Slater, B. Smith, G. Stamp, F. Sun, D. Supa, B. Umansky, D. Waechter, C. Walker, M. Whitlock, A. Wieseke, B. Wills, S. Woosley, T. Zivney

Substitutes: Eric Pierson for K. Speirs-Neumeister, Charles Payne for T. Richardson, Jeong Han Kim for P. Spengler, Michael Pounds for M. Steib, Abel Alves for F. Suppe, Deborah Ceglowski for E. Zygmunt-Fillwalk

Members Absent: B. Adams, D. Chen, R. Fluegeman, J. Gora, D. Haber, L. Helms, T. Hinds, M. Johnson, E. Kelly, W. McCune, W. Sharp

2. A motion was made and seconded (Supa/Hozeski) to approve the minutes of October 2, 2008.

The motion carried.

3. Announcements

A. Next scheduled meetings

Senate Agenda Committee – December 1, 2008, 8:00 a.m., AT 202F  
University Senate – December 11, 2008, 4:00 p.m., LB 125

B. Notice of Change in Office/Department Name

Current Name: Bureau of Business Research  
Proposed Name: Center for Business and Economic Research

C. Program Information – Revised Programs

Academic Posting 2008-09, Volume XL-2

Interdepartmental Programs  
Women's Studies  
Major in Women's Studies

Teachers College  
Department of Elementary Education  
Teaching Major in Elementary Education

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College of Applied Sciences and Technology  
School of Physical Education, Sport, and Exercise Science  
Master of Arts or Master of Science in Physical Education and Sport  
Doctor of Philosophy in Human Bioenergetics

College of Architecture and Planning  
Department of Architecture  
Master of Architecture  
Master of Architecture II (MArchII)

College of Sciences and Humanities  
Interdepartmental Programs – Science  
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Science  
Department of Biology  
Master of Arts in Biology  
Biotechnology Certificate

Department of English  
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in English

Department of Geography  
Master of Science (MS) in Geography

Department of Mathematical Sciences  
Master of Arts in Actuarial Science  
Master of Arts in Mathematics  
Master of Science in Mathematics

Department of Modern Languages and Classics  
Major in Spanish  
Teaching Major in Foreign Language: Spanish

Department of Sociology  
Master of Arts in Sociology

4. Committee Reports

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

The Governance and Elections Committee did not meet as no agenda items were sent forward.

B. Faculty Council – Barry Umansky, Chairperson

Barry reported that the council met on October 9 and will meet again next week, November 13. Discussion will be continued regarding the athletic funding issue; Marilyn Flowers, Randy Howard, and T.C. Collins will attend to answer questions. The Salary and Benefits Committee is working on their two issues; there are two issues in the Provost's Office. Two items from the Faculty Council are on today's agenda.

C. University Council – Laura Helms, Chairperson (No Report)

D. Campus Council – Matthew Whitlock, Chairperson

Matthew reported that the issue concerning handicapped parking for faculty and staff has been resolved and will be discussed at their next meeting.

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

8. Questions to the President

The Chairperson reported that the President is in New York meeting with a donor and sends her regrets. Vice President Terry King is in attendance today if there are questions.

There were no questions.

9. Question and Answer Period

There were no questions.

10. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

11. New Business

- A. Proposed amendment to Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook (Senate Agenda, 11/6/08, Enclosure #2)

A motion was made and seconded (Crawley/Umansky) to place on the senate floor for discussion. James Jones, an ex officio member of the Teaching Evaluation Committee, was present to discuss the issue and answer questions.

The motion to approve the revision of the Teaching Evaluation Committee responsibilities carried.

- B. Proposed amendment to the Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook (Senate Agenda, 11/6/08, Enclosure #3)

A motion was made and seconded (Umansky/Faroh) to place on the senate floor for discussion. Dave Pearson presented the issue and answered questions. Discussion ensued.

The motion to approve the revision of the Procedures for the Selection of a College Dean carried.

- C. Request to increase membership of University Core Curriculum Subcommittee for Academic Year, 2008-09 (Senate Agenda, 11/6/08, Enclosure #4)

A motion was made and seconded (LeBlanc/Faroh) to place on the senate floor for discussion. Michael Spillman, chairperson of the Undergraduate Education Committee, was present to answer questions. Discussion ensued.

The motion to approve the request to increase the membership of the University Core Curriculum Subcommittee for Academic Year 2008-09 carried.

The meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

December 11, 2008

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Brien Smith, Chairperson

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Michael Brown, Secretary

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