

MINUTES OF THE FIFTH MEETING OF THE 2008-09 UNIVERSITY SENATE
Thursday, December 11, 2008

Members Present: 52

Members Absent: 13

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

Members Present: B. Adams, C. Airriess, R. Bellaver, R. Bremigan, M. Brown, P. Chandler, C. Cozad, G. Crawley, L. Deckers, O. Dotson, E. Dugan, A. Farmer, J. Faroh, R. Fluegeman, J. Gora, J. Green, D. Grosnick, M. Guntsche, M. Harvey, L. Helms, F. Hood, B. Hozeski, M. Johnson, K. Kalumba, C. Kapinus, T. King, D. LeBlanc, J. Ledbetter, M. Maggiotto, L. Markle, C. Marlow, P. Parkison, R. Rarick, T. Richardson, J. Rybarczyk, D. Shawger, G. Slater, B. Smith, M. Steib, F. Sun, D. Supa, F. Suppe, B. Umansky, D. Waechter, C. Walker, M. Whitlock, A. Wieseke, B. Wills, S. Woosley, T. Zivney, E. Zygmunt-Fillwalk

Substitutes: Eric Pierson for K. Speirs-Neumeister

Members Absent: N. Ahmed, D. Chen, J. Clark, M. Groover, D. Haber, T. Hinds, E. Kelly, W. McCune, C. Munchel, L. Shaffer, W. Sharp, J. Kim (for P. Spengler), G. Stamp

2. A motion was made and seconded (Crawley/Supa) to approve the minutes of November 6, 2008.

The motion carried.

3. Announcements

A. Next Scheduled Meetings

Senate Agenda Committee – January 12, 2009, 8:00 a.m., AT 202F
University Senate – January 22, 2009, 4:00 p.m., LB Rm. 125

B. Notice of Change in Office/Department Name

Current Name: Office of Academic Research and Sponsored Programs
Proposed Name: Sponsored Programs Office

Please note: For information only. University policy does not require this name change to go through the University Senate prior to Board of Trustees approval as it is not an academic unit.

C. Program Information – Revised Programs

Academic Posting 2008-09, Volume XL-4

College of Applied Sciences and Technology

School of Physical Education, Sport, and Exercise Science

Master of Arts or Master of Science in Exercise Science

College of Architecture and Planning

Department of Landscape Architecture

Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA)

Miller College of Business

Department of Information Systems and Operations Management

Teaching Major in Business and Marketing Education

College of Sciences and Humanities

Department of English

Master of Arts in English (General)

Master of Arts in English (Rhetoric and Composition)
Master of Arts in English (Creative Writing)
Master of Arts in English (Literature)
Master of Arts in Linguistics
Master of Arts in Teaching English to Speakers of other Languages (TESOL)

Teachers College

Department of Counseling Psychology and Guidance Services
Cognate Couples and Family Counseling

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College of Applied Sciences and Technology

Department of Family and Consumer Sciences
Master of Arts in Family and Consumer Sciences
Master of Science in Family and Consumer Sciences
Master of Science in Dietetics

Department of Technology
Director of Career and Technical Education

College of Sciences and Humanities

Department of English
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in English

Department of Biology
Master of Arts in Biology
Biotechnology Certificate

Department of English
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in English

D. University Senate Action signed by President, does not require Board of Trustees Approval:

1. Request for electronic copies (only) of University Senate Agenda and materials
2. Policies and Procedures for Undergraduate Certificate Programs
3. Proposed amendment to Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook (Teaching Evaluation Committee)
4. Proposed amendment to Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook (Governance and Elections Committee)
5. Suspension of Rules for Academic Year 2008-09, to increase membership of the University Core Curriculum Subcommittee

4. Committee Reports

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

Eva reported that the committee met this morning. The first reading of the constitutional amendment is on the agenda for today's meeting.

B. Faculty Council – Barry Umansky, Chairperson

Barry reported that the council met on November 13. The issue of athletic funding was discussed and subsequently removed from the GANTT chart. They heard a report on the progress of the UCC Subcommittee from Sue Whitaker, Chairperson. The council also passed the new membership of the UCC Subcommittee.

C. University Council – Laura Helms, Chairperson (Report given by M. Brown, Secretary of the Senate)

Sali Falling was present at the last meeting of the council to address workloads of professional personnel and explain expectations of work hours.

D. Campus Council – Matthew Whitlock, Chairperson (no report)

5. Report by Chairperson of the Senate – Brien Smith (Senate Agenda, 12/11/08, Enclosure #1)

6. Questions to the President

President Gora commented on the following:

- She has met with all colleges this semester, with the exception of the College of Architecture and Planning (meeting with them in January), to discuss the capital campaign and the upcoming legislative session. She made another presentation to the state budget committee on November 20 during the legislative session.
- Two-thirds of the capital campaign goal has been reached - \$133,366,262.00.
- There are states going through mid-year budget cuts. Ball State is making an effort to tighten the purse strings as it may get rough during the second semester of this year. The stock market affects the endowment which in turn affects scholarship dollars. Our endowment is down between 20-30% and they're making up the scholarship dollars from other campus expenditures. She will be reporting to the campus community as issues arise.
- University pay raises are doubtful unless the stock market and the state finances change.
- Emerging media – largely funded by new grant dollars and reallocated dollars. This is an important area where there is a broad range of activity.
- David Letterman Distinguished Lecture Series – first speaker on February 24, 2009, is Kathleen Jamison, Elizabeth Ware Packard professor of communications and director of the Annenberg Public Policy Center at the University of Pennsylvania.
- Bracken Environmental Lecture Series – Robert Kennedy, Jr., February 18, 2009; Thomas Friedman, author of The World is Flat – March 4, 2009.
- This has been a winning and interesting football season; instead of going to Detroit, we will be going to Alabama to play the University of Tulsa on January 6, 2009, in the GMAC Bowl. Package information will be available on the web site.
- If faculty are unable to attend, the President requested that they please consider contributing the ticket price for a student to go. They would like to give away 500 tickets to students.
- Arrangements are being made to have a big screen available on campus to see the game. It will more than likely be at Emens Auditorium. More information will follow at a later date.

7. Question and Answer Period

There were no questions.

8. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

9. New Business

A. Proposed amendment to the Constitution – First Reading (Senate Agenda 12/11/08, Enclosure #2)

A motion was made and seconded (Steib/Cozad) to place on the floor for the reading.

Eva Zygmunt-Fillwalk, chairperson of the Governance and Elections Committee, read the proposed amendment to the membership of the senate. This is the first reading of the amendment. Discussion and vote will take place at the January 22, 2009, meeting of the University Senate.

The Chairperson of the Undergraduate Education Committee, Michael Spillman, will be present at the January meeting to answer questions.

10. Other Items

There were no other items.

The meeting adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

January 22, 2009

Brien Smith, Chairperson

Michael Brown, Secretary

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