

I. Consideration of Minutes

A. February 9, 2022

Senator Ebert Wallace observed that on page 3 it states that several English faculty members expressed to Senator Hinner that LIB 101 seems to overlap with ENG 101. Senator Ebert Wallace suggested that this be clarified so that it is clear that this is what Senator Hinner reported to the Faculty Senate.

**APPROVED AS CORRECTED**

II. Announcements

A. Provost's Report

Interim Provost Mossman noted that President Huang has announced his resignation, effective April 1. Pending Board of Trustees approval on March 22, Kristi Mindrup, currently Vice President for the Quad Cities Campus and Operations, will be named Interim President. Interim Provost Mossman said it has been great, in his brief time in his current role, to work with President Huang. He has worked with Vice President Mindrup throughout his career since she has been at WIU for 27 years. Interim Provost Mossman stated that Vice President Mindrup is very thoughtful, has a lot of experience with



attended this event last fall. This year Casa Latina is collaborated with the Western Illinois Museum, who hosted a Latinx dance and music workshop at the museum which enabled the students to get out into the community. Tradicion Hispana was featured, and a taco truck was available for the event. Another Latinx Heritage Month event was Cultural Fusion, a collaboration with the Gwendolyn Brooks Cultural Center. Students from both centers made traditional foods for everyone to share, and about 80 students attended. Ms. Valentin said successful events from previous years, such as Dia de los Muertos and Calle Murray, will also be continued. Calle Murray, a Latinx street festival held outside the MCC, will be held on April 27 from 12-4 p.m.

Transgender Asexual College Conference, which they have not done for a few years. Four students and two graduate assistants attended.

Ms. Valentin hopes to have a flyer printed soon with events to recognize Pride Month at WIU. She said these will include the Equality Ball, for students who may not have gotten the prom experience in high school based on their gender or sexuality. A professional drag show performer will come to campus for Drag Show Bingo, to be held in the Union Grand Ballroom. Ms. Valentin said this is a popular event that attracted about 300 people last year. This even falls on Mom's Weekend so some families attend as well. Pride Month concludes with the Allies Brunch, which is held on a Saturday or Sunday to recognize allyship.

The **Women's Center** holds Take Back the Night every year in late October. About 100 people attended the rally this year despite it being a rainy day. "Wednesdays at the Women's Center" features different events and topics or speakers; Ms. Valentin recalled a "pasta and paint" Wednesday that was very well attended. The Women's Center kicked off Women's History Month this past Friday with WIU's Dance Affair, a competition between some of the university's dance organizations, two of which are housed in the Multicultural Center. Ms. Valentin said the GBCC Dance Troup has been around for a long time, while Golden Motion was just begun this year by the Women's Center. Golden Motion dances at home football and basketball games alongside the Marching Leathernecks and pep band and has had the opportunity to do some halftime performances. Other non-MCC dance troupes who participated included Elite Beauty and House Arrest 2.



particularly in the College of Education and Human Services, to continue to hand in these reports in a timely manner.

Senator Gravitt asked if there is any report that correlates the end of semester results to the early warning results to see if they are better or worse or if students who receive early warning grades drop out. Dr. Filipink responded there are none that he is aware of, and none have been requested from CAGAS. Interim Provost Mossman remarked he is sure that could be generated. Registrar Sarah Lawson said she does get a report after final grade processing that shows the change from midterm early warning grade to final grade.

Senator Atherton asked if there is any ramification for not turning in early warning grades. Dr. Filipink replied there are no ramifications; it is not a required policy, and the process relies on voluntary compliance by faculty. He added that, by and large, the majority of faculty do comply. Interim Provost Mossman observed that the compliance rate has increased since he began working in the Provost's office.

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(Amy Burke, Chair)

1. Curricular Requests from the School of Law Enforcement and Justice Administration

a. Requests for New Courses

- i. EM 360, ALS Foundations, 2 s.h.
- ii. EM 361, ALS Patient Assessment, 2 s.h.
- iii. EM 362, ALS Airway and Ventilation, 2 s.h.
- iv. EM 363, Pharmacology, 2 s.h.
- v. EM 364, Advanced Cardiac Care, 2 s.h.
- vi. EM 365, ALS Medical Emergencies, 3 s.h.
- vii. EM 366, Clinical Rotation ER & OR, 2 s.h.
- viii. EM 367, Trauma, 2 s.h.
- ix. EM 368, Pediatrics, 2 s.h.
- x. EM 369, Specialized Care, 2 s.h.
- xi. EM 370, Advanced Medical Emergencies, 2 s.h.
- xii. EM 371, Advanced ALS Foundations, 2 s.h.
- xiii. EM 372, Research, 1 s.h.
- xiv. EM 373, Field Internship I, 3 s.h.
- xv. EM 374, Field Internship II, 3 s.h.
- xvi. EM 375, Capstone, 3 s.h.
- xvii. FS 477, Data Driven Safety and Risk Reduction Applications, 3 s.h.

Senator Ebert Wallace remarked she found it very helpful to have the CCPI minutes, which were sent to senators ahead of the meeting, in order to figure out all of the LEJA curricular requests. Senator Atherton agreed that was very helpful.

Senator Tang remarked that there are a lot of courses being submitted at the same time and asked what the big picture is for LEJA. Law Enforcement and Justice Administration professor Ben Brewer responded that the school is in the process of accrediting their paramedic program. He explained that, as of 2013, no one is allowed to have a paramedic program in the United States that is not accredited. He said WIU will be the first four-year institution to offer an accredited paramedic program. Mr. Brewer related that when accreditors visited the campus, LEJA's paramedic program was made up of five courses of 6 s.h. each. He said the accreditors wanted to see these broken down into smaller credit hour courses; between responding to them and

- i. COMM 346, Online Influencers, 3 s.h.

Senator Hunter observed there were no library resources mentioned and said he was curious what resources the faculty member plans to use.

Communication professor Josh Averbek responded that a lot of the resources will be current journal articles. He thinks a lot of the books that the library might have on the topic will be out of date within two years of being put on the shelf. He said the course will use a lot of industry reports rather than things that are in a backlog through the academic process. He added the faculty member is trying to stay as up to date as possible and lean on all the resources that are available.

Senator Hamner remarked he is glad to see this kind of course offered. He thinks this is a course a lot of students will be interested in and which can be utilized as a way of thinking more critically about popular culture and other topics. He applauds its creation.

### **NO OBJECTIONS**

- C. Senate Nominating Committee (SNC)  
(Katherine Perone, Chair)

1. Faculty Nominations

### **SENATE COUNCILS**

Council on Campus Planning and Usage (CCPU)



V. New Business

A. For the Good of the Body

Chair Albarracin announced that, thanks to a grant from the Illinois Department of Human Services,