

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

Regular Meeting, 27 August 2019, 4:00 p.m.
Union Capitol Rooms/WIUQC Riverfront 205

ACTION MINUTES

SENATORS PRESENT: M. Bean, B. Bellott, J. Choi, S. Czechowski, R. Dimitrov, R. Filipink, J. Franken, D. Hunter, I. Lauer, M. Maskarinec, D. Oursler, B. Perabo, C. Pynes, J. Robinett, R. Sawhney, M. Stinnett, F. Tasdan,

SENATORS ABSENT: S. Cordes, G. Delany- Barmann

GUESTS: Mark Bernards, Tom Blackford, Matt Blankenshp, Ginny Boynton, Amy Carr, Tom Cody, Anita , Jill Myers, Kat Myers, Miguel Narvaez,

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Announcements

A. Approvals from the President and Provost

1. Approvals from the President

a. Merger of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction with the Department of Educational Studies to create a new School of Education

2. Approvals from the Provost

a. Request for New Course

i. SPED 410, Senior Seminar in Special Education, 0 s.h.

b. Request for Change of Major

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ed that dean searches will be launched soon for the Colleges of
and Business and Technology. He told senators that a formal request

has been made to the Faculty Senate Chair to work to appoint fa

Dr. Carr told senators that the Department of Education has called for public comments. She went through the documents prior to July 12 and commented on some of the items. She stated that a possible rule change at the federal level concerns creating new accrediting agencies, which might involve ways of gaining competency-based learning that could bypass faculty. She promised to keep Faculty Senate informed of this development.

2. Election notices have been emailed to full-time faculty regarding two fall vacancies on Faculty Senate and one spring vacancy. Two one-year terms need to be filled immediately for the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Education and Human Services. There is also an opportunity for a faculty member in the Arts and Sciences to serve as a one-semester sabbatical replacement for Spring 2020. The deadline to submit petitions is Thursday, September 5 at 12:00 p.m. Election notices can be found at http://www.wiu.edu/faculty_senate/elections.php.
3. Election notices will also be sent out to solicit volunteers to serve on the University Personnel Committee to fill vacancies in the Colleges of Arts and Sciences (Fall 2019 only), Business and Technology (three-year term), and Education and Human Services (three-year term). Members must be tenured full professors. The deadline to submit petitions is Friday, September 6 at 12:00 p.m. Election notices can be found at http://www.wiu.edu/faculty_senate/elections.php.
4. Senator Richard Filipink has been chosen to deliver the 17th annual John Hallwas Liberal Arts Lecture. His talk is entitled “‘It Depends Who Writes the History, Henry’: History’s Role in the Liberal Arts and Creating an Educated Citizen.” Dr. Filipink will present his lecture on the Quad Cities campus at 3:00 p.m. on September 11 in QC Complex Room 2102 and on the Macomb campus on September 12 at 7:00 p.m. in the Union Grand Ballroom.

III. Reports of Committees and Councils

A. Council on Admission, Graduation and Academic Standards (CAGAS) (Mark Bernards, Chair, 2019-2020)

1. Annual Report (Rich Filipink, Chair, 2018-2019)

Dr. Bernards presented the report since Dr. Filipink had not yet arrived at the meeting. According to the report document, CAGAS last year heard one case of falsif Se rb #

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should provide more information in case faculty are not fully educated on the process. Senator Bellott remarked that all academic integrity incidents in his department were solved at the department level last year as opposed to going up, so maybe that is the case in other departments. Senator Lauer observed that there is a color-coding system that students can use to tell them if they have plagiarized, so perhaps that is helping there to be fewer incidents. Chairperson Pynes remarked that even if academic integrity incidents are solved at the department level, CAGAS is supposed to receive a report that this occurred. Senator Bellott asked who is to prepare the report – the department chair or the faculty member; Chairperson Pynes responded that it is the responsibility of the faculty member. He added that it is important that these types of incidents get reported because if a student has two incidents independent of one another it triggers an automatic review of that student. Senator Hunter remarked that it is disturbing if faculty are not checking University policy in regards to these cases since the policy is readily available online. Chairperson Pynes remarked that part of the problem could be that the current process does not allow faculty to submit the forms electronically; forms must be printed and filled out, then sent through campus mail to CAGAS. He noted that as other processes have become easier, this one has by comparison become less easy to perform. Senator Perabo suggested that CAGAS might want to issue a reminder to faculty about this process. She noted that she submitted two of the only 42 reports for the entire year, so a lot of faculty are not submitting them; Chairperson Pynes added that he submitted one of the 42 total reports as well.

Senator Dimitrov remarked that one of the bullet points under CAGAS's recommendation to

Dr. Hardeman reported that CCPI last year approved two new majors (Civil Engineering and

indicating that the Council and Athletics recognize that student-athletes miss valuable information from professors' lectures, classroom discussions, and hands-on experience when missing class, which will be echoed in future as CIA moves forward.

NO OBJECTION TO CIA REPORT

G. Council for International Education (CIE)
(Miguel Narvaez, Chair, 2019-2020)

1. Annual Report (Yong Tang and Miguel Narvaez, Co-Chairs, 2018-2019)

Dr. Narvaez reported that CIE last year updated their bylaws to be more diversified, to emphasize internationalization of the University, and to reflect the charge regarding the Foreign Language-Global Issues (FLGI) requirement. CIE was given a charge by former Interim Provost Neumann, which was continued by Interim Provost Clow, to evaluate the FLGI requirement; this work is ongoing.

NO OBJECTIONS TO CIE REPORT

NO OBJECTIONS TO SNC REPORT

2. Nominations to Fill Vacancies

SENATE COUNCILS AND COMMITTEES:

Council on Admission, Graduation, and Academic Standards (CAGAS)

Emily Shupe, Kinesiology	replacing	Chase Catalano	2020	E&HS
Megan Owens, RPTA	replacing	Algerian Hart	2021	E&HS

Council on Campus Planning and Usage (CCPU)

Cindy Piletic, RPTA	replacing	Katherine Pawelko	2021	E&HS
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Council on General Education (CGE)

Gordon Pettit, Math/Philosophy	replacing	Marjorie Allison	Fall 2019 only	Humanities
Seongchan Kim, Engineering Tech	replacing	Joyce Runquist	Fall 2019 onl	

bring a rewrite of this section for senators to consider approving after a first and second reading, or Faculty Senate can agree to compose the committee now and fix the bylaws later. He added that ExCo thinks CPPP can do some good work this year.

Senator Czechowski agreed to represent the Executive Committee on CPPP this year. Senators Tasdan and Stinnett volunteered to serve. Senator Dimitrov asked if CPPP's work would be completed during the fall semester since he is on sabbatical in spring 2020; Chairperson Pynes responded that it depends on what the Committee does, but Senator Dimitrov could be replaced if needed when he goes on sabbatical. Senator Dimitrov volunteered to serve. Senator Czechowski nominated Senator Taylor, who agreed to serve. There were no other nominations, and the slate of candidates was declared elected.

Chairperson Pynes promised that ExCo would bring forward a bylaw change to clean up the language.

- C. Election of Senators to Serve on Provost's Advisory Council
(one senator to serve a two-year term and one senator to serve for spring semester only)

Senators Maskarinec and Bean volunteered to fill the two-year seat; paper ballots were distributed, counted by the Parliamentarian and Recording Secretary, and Senator Bean was elected. Senators Filipink and Sawhney volunteered to replace Senator Dimitrov on the Council during the spring semester. An election by paper ballot resulted in Senator Sawhney winning that election.

- D. Election of Senators to Serve on Social Responsibility Task Force
(up to five senators to serve one-year terms)

Chairperson Pynes told senators there will be additional faculty serving on this task force, and he would ideally like for two to three senators to volunteer. Chairperson Pynes has served on the task force three of the past four years and volunteered to serve on it again this year. He related that the task force has worked on many things through the years; a decade ago it created the current peer institution list. He added that this year Higher Learning Commission accreditation will be one of the main issues with which the task force will be engaged. Senators Robinett and Bellott volunteered to serve. Since Senator Cordes was unable to attend today's meeting and has served on the task force in the past, this item will be brought back to Faculty Senate at the next meeting to see if he also wishes to serve.

- E. Election of Senator to Student Learning Assessment Committee (SLAC)
(one senator to serve a one-year term)

Senator Bellott volunteered to serve on this committee. There were no further volunteers.

- F. For the Good of the Body

Senator Stinnett observed that faculty have given back two percent of their salaries, and the April 23 minutes on p. 12 states that President Thomas planned to talk to administrators about doing this as well. She asked Interim Provost Clow if there have been any discussions among the administration about sharing this sacrifice. Interim Provost Clow responded that some vice presidents in permanent positions took the cuts, and there are more discussions occurring currently with individuals below that level.

Dr. Boynton asked if there is any information about the presidential search. Chairperson Pynes responded that this will be determined at the October Board of Trustees meeting. Interim Provost Clow stated that this is all that he knows as well, adding that many people would like to know the answer to this question.

Motion: To adjourn (Bellott)

The Faculty Senate adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Susan Czechowski, Senate Secretary

Annette Hamm, Faculty Senate Recording Secretary