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## Faculty Senate Meeting

### Minutes

April 4, 2011

Presiding: Ann Marie Hurley

Attendees: Diana Archibald, Doreen Arcus, Eve Buzawa, Michael Carter, Alexander Case, Nicole Champagne, Cindy Chen, Shehong Chen, Liana Cheney, Timothy Crain, Mitra Das, Judith Davidson (for Minjeong Kim), Alan Doerr, Lisa Edwards, James Egan, Michael Ellenbecker (for Robert Karasek), Cynthia Ferrara, Joseph Fisher, Marie Frank, Stuart Freedman, Steven Freund, Robert Giles, Nancy Goodyear, Michael Graves, Andrew Hostetler, Ann Marie Hurley, Oliver Ibe, Russell Karl, Margaret Knight, Robert Kunzendorf, Pradeep Kurup, Haim Levkowitz, Erika Lewis, David Lustick, Mufeed Mahd, Margaret Manion, Sanjeev Manohar, Geoffrey Phillips McEnany, Arthur Mittler, Betty Morgan, Donna Mullin, Ramaswamy Nagarajan, Julie Nash, Christopher Niezrecki, Robert Parkin, Mike Patterson, Jialun Qin, Marina Ruths, Charlotte Ryan, David Ryan, Daniel Schmidt, Nancy Selleck, James Sherwood, Jay Simmons, Shellie Simons, Jana Sladkova, Craig Slatin, Paul Song, Stefanie Tate, James Veatch (for Ellen Wetmore), Thomas Wilson, Susan Woskie (for Bryan Buchholz), Yi Yang, Bruce Young

Absent: Craig Armiento, Francis Bonner, Charles Feeney (for Janie Casello Bouges), Clayton French, Xinwen Fu (for Jie Wang), Ken Geiser, David Kazmer, Alexander Kheifets, Xuejun Lu, Martin Moser, Eric Nelson, Chronis Stamatiadis, Jacob Stowell, Jie Wang, Jin Xu, Holly Yanco, Jackie Zhang

Recording: Martha Burns

The meeting convened at 3:33.

1. Minutes of March 7, 2011 Faculty Senate Meeting, (Attachment 1)

Ann Marie Hurley requested a motion to accept the March Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes. Robert Parkin made the motion and it was seconded by Michael Carter. It passed unanimously.

2. Report from the Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees (Professor Carter)

Michael Carter indicated that the next round of meetings shall occur at the end of May. Several programs are coming up for approval. The Trustees will be deciding on student fee increases. Since May 2, 2011 is the final Faculty Senate meeting of the year significant information will be provided over the summer to the Faculty Senate body via e-mail.

3. Report from the Academic Governance Committee (Professor Cheney)

Liana Cheney reminded members of the upcoming nominations for President, Vice President, one Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees and one Alternate Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees. Names of nominees should be submitted by April 19, 2011 via e-mail to [Martha\\_Burns@uml.edu](mailto:Martha_Burns@uml.edu) on behalf of the Executive Committee. The formal election will take place at 3:00 PM on May 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Faculty Senate meeting.

4. Report from the Research Committee (Professor Parkin)

Robert Parkin announced that a meeting of the Research and Commercialization Committee will be held on Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup> to discuss future direction.

5. Graduate Policy and Affairs Committee (GPAC), (Professor Sherwood)

James Sherwood announced that Robert Malloy chaired the GPAC meeting on his behalf.

A. Proposal for a Teacher Leader Certificate, (Professor Lustick), Attachment 2

David Lustick presented a proposal for a Teacher Leader Certificate. After providing an overview of the program the resolution to accept this proposal passed unanimously.

B. Request for Modifications to Post Masters Sleep and Sleep Disorders in Health and Disease Online Certificate Program, (Professor Phillips McEnany), Attachment 3

Geoffrey Phillips McEnany presented a request to modify the Post Masters Sleep and Sleep Disorders in Health and Disease Online Certificate Program. Due to a number of individuals at the Bachelor's level wishing to pursue this program this proposal is being put forth. The resolution to accept this proposal passed unanimously.

- C. Proposed revised Graduate Certificate: Peace and Conflict Resolution Studies, (Professor Rayman), Attachment 4

Francis Talty presented this proposed change on behalf of Paula Rayman. He indicated that the current certificate consists of 15 credits. The proposed change would change credit total to 12 to make it more consistent with other certificates. The resolution to accept this proposal passed unanimously.

6. Undergraduate Policy Committee (UPC), (Professor Mittler)

- A. Proposal for a new Cooperative Education Undergraduate Academic Curriculum, (Diane Hewitt, Associate Director of Cooperative Education), Attachment 5, 5A

Diane Hewitt presented a proposal for a new Cooperative Education Undergraduate Academic Curriculum. The goal has been to develop a more integrated coop program. All courses have an emphasis placed on both written and presentation skills. After providing an overview the resolution to accept this proposal passed unanimously with one abstention.

- B. Proposal for a new **minor** in Joint Military Studies (Matthew McSwain, Lt. Col., USAF ROTC/James Blazak, Major, USAF) Attachment 6

Lieutenant Colonel Matthew McSwain presented a proposal for a new minor in Joint Military Studies. Diana Archibald noted that Sociology requested that their courses be removed from this proposal. Charlotte Ryan of the Sociology Department noted that the removal was related to their not being enough time to review the proposal. The resolution to accept this proposal passed unanimously with one abstention and one opposition.

- C. Proposal for a new interdisciplinary **minor** in Work, Labor and Society (Professor Duffy, Sociology/Susan Winning, Labor Extension Program), Attachment 7

Mignon Duffy presented a proposal for a new interdisciplinary minor in Work, Labor and Society. This program will work closely with the Labor Extension Program. The resolution to accept this proposal passed unanimously.

- D. Proposal for a BLA **concentration** in Asian Studies (Professor Cheney, Cultural Studies), Attachment 8

Liana Cheney presented a proposal for a BLA concentration in Asian Studies. She extended gratitude to George Chigas and the departments who assisted in developing the program. After a brief discussion the resolution to accept this proposal passed unanimously.

7. Other Business

Ann Marie Hurley announced that Richard M. Freeland, Commissioner of Higher Education in Massachusetts will be a guest speaker at the May 2, 2011 Faculty Senate Meeting. Commissioner Freeland will be speaking about his vision project.

The election of Officers and Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees will be held at 3:00 PM.

Ann Marie Hurley announced that after serving nine years as Faculty Senate President she has decided to step down. She thanked the members for their support and recognized the committees of the Faculty Senate for the work done on behalf of the Faculty Senate as a whole.

The meeting adjourned at 4:17 PM.