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## Faculty Senate Meeting

### Minutes

May 6, 2014

3:00 PM

Presiding: Michael Carter

Attendees: Lisa Abdallah, Laura Barefield, Michael Beers, Dhimiter Bello, Bryan Buchholz, Eve Buzawa, Jennifer Cadero-Gillette, Michael Carter, Nicole Champagne, Abigail Chandler, Guanling Chen, Shehong Chen, Timothy Cook, Timothy Crain, Paul DeStefano, James Egan, Heidi Fantasia, Susan Faraji, William Fisher, Rebecca Foco, Steven Freund, Alice Frye, Jessica Garb, Michael Geiger, Jennifer Gonzalez-Zugasti, Nancy Goodyear, Jennifer Gorczyca, Michael Graves, Ying Huang, Ann Marie Hurley, Alexander Kheifets, Sue Kim, Ainat Koren, Scott Latham, Erika Lewis, Karen Lin, Benyuan Liu, David Lustick, John McKelliget, Garrett Michaelsen, Joshua Millard, Michael Millner, Arthur Mittler, Joann MoriartyBaron, Donna Mullin, Nese Orbey, Charles Ormsby, Asil Oztekin, Joshua Qian, Ioannis Raptis, Emmanuelle Reynaud, Marina Ruths, Charlotte Ryan, David Ryan, Michelle Scribner-MacLean, Richard Serna, Mitchell Shuldman, Shellie Simons, Laurie Soroken, Sag Hyun Suh, Kate Swanger, Stefanie Tate, Walter Toomey, Mark Tries, Yana Weinstein, Naomi Wernick, Jennifer Wilber, YiNing Wu, TzuYang Yu, Juheng Zhang

Recording: Martha Burns

- Annual Election of Officers  
Michael Carter was elected as faculty Senate President with 58 votes. Erika Lewis was elected Vice President with 59 votes. Eve Buzawa was elected Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees with 58 votes. Lisa Abdallah was elected Alternate Representative to the Board of Trustees with 59 votes.

- Minutes of April 7, 2014 Faculty Senate Meeting

A motion was made to accept the April 7, 2014 Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

### Graduate Policy and Affairs Committee (GPAC), (Ann Marie Hurley)

- Preliminary Proposal for a Master of Science in Business Analytics

Erika Lewis made a motion to accept the proposal. It was seconded by David Lustick and passed unanimously.

- Final Proposal for a Doctor of Pharmacy (Pharm D) in the College of Health Sciences  
Associate Dean Houde provided an overview indicating that the College will be working with the accrediting agency over the next few years. Erika Lewis made a motion to accept the proposal.
- Proposal to add two options – Integrated Life Sciences and Medical Physics – to the Biomedical Engineering and Biotechnology (BMEBT) Ph.D. degree  
Lisa Abdallah made a motion to accept the proposal. It was seconded by Jim Egan and passed unanimously.

The following item was presented for information only and did not require motions.

For Information Only:

- Proposal to update the curriculum in the Department of Physical Therapy

#### Undergraduate Policy Committee (UPC), (Arthur Mittler)

- Proposed revision to admissions requirements for intercollegiate transfer into the College of Engineering  
This proposal standardizes the practice of admission requirements by, like other Departments, requiring minimum grades in technical subjects such as physics, calculus, and chemistry. A motion was made to accept the proposed revised admissions requirements. It was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Proposal to allow Minors in the BLA Program  
This proposal stipulates that students who major in the BLA program may take a minor outside that program. A motion was made to accept the proposal. It was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Proposal for an undergraduate Certificate in Introduction to Electronic Engineering Technology  
A motion was made to accept the proposal. It was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Proposal to change the name of the Interdisciplinary Minor “Journalism and Media Studies” to “Digital Media”  
A motion was made to accept the proposal. It was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Proposal for an undergraduate Certificate in JAVA Development  
A motion was made to accept the proposal. It was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Proposal to change current Language requirement for Bachelor Arts students  
Associate Dean Nash provided an overview of the proposal indicating that a comparison to our peer institutions resulted in developing a new proposal for BA students. Two tracks will be offered – the “World Ready” track at 15 credits and the “World Language” track at 12 credits. This will be effective September of 2015. A motion was made to accept the proposal. It was seconded and passed unanimously.
- Proposal to for an Interdisciplinary Minor in Climate Change and Sustainability

A motion was made to accept the proposal. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

The following item was presented for information only and did not require motions.

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- Proposal to modify the undergraduate curriculum in Civil and Environmental Engineering

#### Library Advisory Committee

- Library Usage Survey  
The audience was informed that a new Library Usage Survey is available with the purpose of getting feedback from faculty and teaching staff.

#### Other Business

- Summer Business

A motion was made to allow the Executive Committee of the Faculty Senate to make any required decisions during the summer months. It was seconded and passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 4:10 PM.