

## Minutes

### Meeting of the Faculty Senate

15 June 1999

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Chairperson Joel Piperberg called the meeting to order at 3:07 p.m. in Myers Auditorium, McComsey. All departments were represented except Art, Business Administration, Chemistry, Counseling and Human Development, Economics, Foreign Languages, Mathematics, Music, Political Science, and Special Education. Thomas Chugger Baker, the new President of the Student Senate, also attended.

The minutes of the meeting on May 4 were approved following the amendments below: p.4636 CSI should read CSCI and CSCI 476 should be added as a prerequisite for CSCI 362 and CSCI 270.

P. 4637 should read: Must students take half of the courses for their Minor....

#### Report of the Faculty Senate Chairperson

1. Chairperson Piperberg said that the time computed for Summer School classes had not accounted for 5 - 10 minute breaks each hour. This means that too little time had been scheduled for each class, an error that will be corrected in the future. He suggested that any senator who has models for summer classes should contact Dr. Stager.

R. Kerper reported that there had also been a scheduling problem for graduate students because their schools were still in session when the summer classes began, leading to conflicts with scheduled course times, The University created a modified schedule to accommodate their needs but did not release it early enough to provide sufficient notification for graduate students. In addition, the modified schedule that moved day classes to the night failed to account for the evening classes, in which students were already enrolled, creating other conflicts.

2. Chairperson Piperberg encouraged Senators to volunteer for committees and to encourage their departmental colleagues to volunteer. He distributed lists of vacancies for the upcoming elections in the Fall semester and he requested that nominations be e-mailed to him so that the names could be placed on the ballot for the first meeting in the Fall (September 7). (see attachment)
3. The working text for the catalogue description for Applied Musicianship is now as follows:

A student may count a block of six Applied Musicianship courses (a total of 3.0 credits) as one Liberal Arts core course from the Music Department and such a block of courses may be used by the student to fulfill requirements in the same way as any other 3 credit Liberal arts Core course. Any combination of Applied Musicianship courses may be used in such a block, Only a full block of six such courses may be used for Liberal Arts Core credit.

4. Chairperson Piperberg reminded senators that any courses brought to the Faculty Senate for approval must include the appropriate statements from the deans, if such statements are required. The inclusion of these statements should resolve some problems that have resulted in course approval delays.

Report of the Student Senate New Student Senate President Thomas Baker was introduced to the Faculty Senate. He announced that the Student Senate is working on several projects that include: celebration of MU at homecoming and the establishment of some out-door organization- sponsored benches.

## **Report of the Graduate Student Organization No Report**

### **Reports of Administrative Officers**

**Associate Provost Roller** Dr. Roller said that the Administration intends to expand activity with faculty mentoring of students and encouraged faculty participation in this program.

### **Reports of Faculty Senate Standing Committees**

**GCPRC** Chairperson R. Kerper presented a proposal for Graduate Nursing Case Management. R. Davis proposed that the Senate forego the one meeting rule and this motion was approved.

**Women's Studies Curriculum Committee** Chairperson C. Desmond who chaired the committee during Dr. Schneller's absence said that the committee had approved an existing course (Senior Seminar in Anthropology 491) and another course (HPED 610) is in the pipeline for approval. Chairperson Piperberg thanked Dr. Desmond for her service as chair of the committee

**Academic Standards Committee** Chairperson J. Sciarretta said that the number of student dismissals had increased:

- 149 students had been dismissed. Of this number -
- 81 appeals were heard. Of the 81 appeals -
- 49 were upheld, 32 were not upheld.

J. Sciarretta asked the Senate to consider a motion with regard to the composition of the committee. He suggested specifying the distribution of committee members according to academic division. This proposal will be placed on the Agenda for September 21.

**Honors Committee** Chairperson Warmkessel said that applications have been received for the Director of the Honors Program position. These applications have been reviewed and two names have been submitted to the Administration.

She said that there are two vacancies for Social Science on the Honors Committee but no nominations have been received. She encourages senators/departmental colleagues to consider serving on the committee.

C. Stameshkin said she would like to see a system that can appoint faculty members to committee service as exists in some other universities. Another senator said that a perception exists that committee service is not beneficial to faculty members in terms of promotion. There was also a suggestion that it might be possible to reconsider the term limitations on committees to make it easier to fill committee vacancies.

**Faculty Emeritus.** A D. Williams/G. Yelagotes motion to recommend Faculty Emeritus status for Dr. Harold Drake (Communications and Theater) was passed by the Senate.

### **Proposed Courses and Programs**

The following Courses/Programs were passed by the Senate:

- Sociology 313 Sociology of Disaster (Environmental Hazard Management Minor) effective Fall, 1999.
- CSCI 380 and CSCI 476 - Minor changes in Pre-Requisites. Pre-requisites are now CSCI 362 and CSCI 270.
- Humanities 380 Latino Issues in Identity (retroactive to Spring 1999)

- Environmental Hazards Management Minor (an inter-departmental minor) approved (to become effective Fall 1999)
- Psychology 100 General Psychology and Psychology 227 (Child and Adolescent Psychology) were approved as required courses for Art Education.
- Graduate Nursing Case Management (MSc.) was approved after comments from the Social Work department were noted:

T. Kruse said the department had expressed some concern about the use of the term "case management." The terminology is an integral part of the functions of Social Work and is historically related to casework. Social work has had a 100-year history in health care and the department was somewhat concerned that nurses would try to educate social workers.

Because of the department's long relationship with Nursing, Social Work did not want to stand in the way of the proposal but requested ongoing dialogue with the Department and asked that the Department not educate social workers.

**Honors Program/College** M. Warmkessel reported that the report of the consultant who visited in March to consider the prospect of an Honors College had not yet been received, but added that he encouraged the university to make the transition from an honors program to honors college within the next year. Several factors make an early transition important:

1. Competition from other SSHE institutions (example IUP)
2. Potential Donors (an Honors College would attract new money)
3. Establishment of the program by virtue of its 19 year existence.
4. Encouragement of students with 1200 or higher SAT scores to apply to MU.

## **GERC**

**General Education Objectives.** Chairperson C. Stameshkin distributed up-dated copies of the General Education Objectives adopted Spring 1999 (See attachment)

J. Alden (English) placed on record the concern expressed by the Department of English regarding the language in the objectives document - Students .... *will be able to* -- that prefaces objectives. The department would have preferred **should be able to (vs. will)** or **will have the opportunity to** ....

C. Stameshkin said that work on assessment of the objectives will be conducted this summer and that new course proposals should appeal to the new the objectives.

C. Desmond commended C. Stameshkin for all her work as chairperson. The sentiment was affirmed by the entire Senate.

**Academic Policies:** Consideration of the Academic Policies proposals was delayed until the second meeting of the Senate in the Fall, 1999.

The meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted

J. Alden, Secretary

## **ACTION SUMMARY**

### **16 June 1999**

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**Academic Policies Proposals** Delayed until second meeting of the Senate (Fall, 1999)

Proposal to consider Academic Standards Committee change in composition - delayed until second meeting of the Senate.

**Attachment A**  
**Faculty Senate Minutes**  
**15 June 1999**

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FROM: Joel Piperberg, Faculty Senate Chairperson  
DATE: 15 June 1999

**RE: Committee Vacancies Fall 1999 Elections**

Gray areas indicate vacancies.

CS	chair/Senator
CH	chair
CW	chair/WS faculty
MS	member/Senator
ME	member
HU	Humanities & Fine Arts rep.
ED	Education rep.
NO	non-School rep.
SO	Social Sciences rep.
SC	Science & Mathematics rep.
AL	alternate
•	expiration year follows prefix
•	"()" => term length
•	"[]" => incumbent
•	"{}" => not elected by Senate
+	Senate standing committee
#	2-term limit for members
*	not eligible for reelection
&	<= 2 from same academic unit
\$	<= 1 from same department
%	serving partial term

Departments of committee members are shown onlly where there are restrictions by department.

<b>ACADEMIC OUTCOMES ASSESSMENT + # (CH3,ME2)</b>	
CS01	Desmond

ED01	
HU00	J. Henke
NO00	Backels*
SC00	Schultz*
SO01	

<b>ACADEMIC POLICIES + # \$ (CH3, ME2)</b>	
MEETS 2ND & 4TH WED. 4-6	
CS02	
ED00	Szollos, Psyc*
ED01	not Psych
HU01	
HU00	
NO00	K. Backels, Counseling
SC00	Iannone, Chem*
SC01	
SO00	Gumpper, Economics
SO01	

<b>ACADEMIC STANDARDS + # (3)</b>	
MEETS FULL DAYS AFTER END OF FALL, SPRING, AND SS II SEM.	
CS00	Sciarretta*
ME00	M. Chaudhary
ME02	
ME02	
ME02	
ME02	
ME01	Shanahan
ME01	Mone'
ME01	Kerper
ME01	Ikenaga
ME00	Schultz*

ME00	Seda
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<b>COOP. EDUCATION + (3)</b>	
CS02	

<b>FAC.-STUDENT ATHLETIC + (3)</b>	
CS02	
ME02	
ME02	
ME01	R. Mowery

<b>GEN. ED. REVIEW + \$ (CH3,ME2)</b>	
MEETS 2ND & 4TH TUES., 4-6	
CS02	
ED00	Foster-Clark, Psyc
ED01	not Psych
HU00	S. Miller, English
HU01	not Engl.
NO01	
SC00	
SC01	
SO00	
SO01	

<b>GRADUATE COURSE &amp; PROGRAM REVIEW + (3)</b>	
MEETS LAST WED. OF MONTH 3-5	
CS01	Kerper

<b>INTERNATIONAL SELECTION + &amp; \$ (ME2,AL1)</b>	
{CH:	Arnold}
ME00	Woo, Psych
ME00	Wu, HPED
ME01	not Education
AL00	not Education

<b>INTIL. STUDIES CURR. + (3)</b>	
CH01	Borger-Greco

<b>JOINT SENATE CONF. + (1)</b>	
{CH00	Rosenthal}
MS00	
MS00	
MS00	

<b>UNDERGRADUATE COURSE &amp; PROGRAM REVIEW + # \$ (CH3,ME2)</b>	
MEETS 2ND, 4TH & 5TH TUES. 4-6	
CS00	[R. Wismer]
ED00	Hibberd, ITEC
ED01	
HU00	Alden, English
HU01	not Engl
NO01	I. Risser, Library
SC00	
SC01	
SC00	
SC01	



**UNIV. HONORS PROG. + # (3)**

CS01	Warmkessel
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**UNIV.THEME + (CH2,ME3)**

CS01	
ED00	[Denenberg]
HU01	A. Kelly
NO01	Wheeler
SC01	McDevitt
SO00	[Nakhai]

**COMMENC. SPEAKER # (2)**

{CH:	Eckert}
ED00	Y. King
HU01	
NO00	George
SC01	
SO01	

**CULTURAL AFFAIRS (3)**

{CH:	elected by comm.}
ME02	
ME02	
ME01	M. Phillips
ME01	Wu
ME01	Haferkamp

**FINANCIAL AID (2)**

{CH:	Thomson}
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ME00	Schultz
ME01	

**HONORARY DEGREE (2)**

{Convener:	Eckert}
ME00	Luek
ME00	R. Coley

**JUDICIAL BOARD (ME2, AL1)**

{CH:	Redmond}
ME00	McDevitt
ME01	
AL00	
AL00	

**NOONAN FUND (2)**

{CH:	Stager}
ED00	B. Grosh
HU00	Borger-Greco
NO01	
SC00	Hoover
SO01	

**ADMISSIONS, ADVISEMENT & STUDENT AFFAIRS + # (3)**

CS00	Lynch
ME02	
ME02	
ME01	Studdard
ME01	Ikenaga

ME01	Alden
ME00	Gray-Schlegel
ME00	Kirchner

**WOMEN'S STUDIES CURR. + (2)**

CW01

**APPOINTED OR EX-OFFICIO SENATE REPRESENTATIVES**

Acad. Comp. Advis. Comm.: Hutchens  
Admin. Comp. Advis. Comm.: Piperberg  
Commencement Comm.: Piperberg  
Council of Trustees (advisor): Piperberg  
Development Comm.: Piperberg  
Joint Senate Conf. (chair): Rosenthal  
Medal Fund Manag. Board: Suziedelis  
Strat. Planning & Res. Council: Piperberg