Faculty Senate Minutes  
April 18, 2017

The meeting was called to order at 4:15 p.m. All departments were in attendance except Athletics, Early, Middle & Exceptional Education, and Government & Political Affairs.

I. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the April 4, 2017 meeting of the Faculty Senate were approved as corrected.

II. Proposed Courses and Programs

NEW GRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS

(1) ART 584 & 585: Introduction to Studio Art for Graduate Students (+ discipline), 3 credits (up to 9 from different disciplines). Proposal for new courses to introduce post-baccalaureate or graduate students to fine arts studio topics in various disciplines was approved without dissent.

NEW UNDERGRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS

(2) PSYC 216: Introduction to Learning & Behavior Analysis, 3 credits. Proposal for course to introduce the field of Behavior Analysis was approved without dissent.

(3) WSSD 410: International Sport Issues and Industry Tour, 3 credits, P. Proposal for a course to introduce global sport-related issues, organizations, and industries through study abroad was approved without dissent.

CHANGES TO UNDERGRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS

(4) BA, FORL. Proposal to reorganize language degrees into one degree with options in Language Studies, Certification, or Culture Studies in any language offered at MU was approved without dissent.

(5) PSYC 316: Learning & Behavior Analysis. Proposal to change title and add prerequisite was approved without dissent.

III. Report of the Faculty Senate Chairperson

Chair Börger-Greco reminded senators of the June 6 Faculty Senate meeting at 3 p.m., senator elections in ASD, GOVT, HIST, IDST, MUSI, PHIL, SOWK, and SOAN, and spring commencement. She also shared a request for faculty to provide input for the PASSHE review being conducted by NCHEMS at: http://nchemsproject.com/system-review. Dr. Börger-Greco also announced that chairs of Senate committees should submit annual reports by June 30.
Dr. Börger-Greco distributed a summary of enrollment numbers for next year. Though overall numbers look good, there were some concerns about transfer numbers reported. Related questions may be directed to Mr. Hazlett.

IV. Report of the Student Senate

Mr. Aaron Jaffe reported on installment of Mr. Keifer Luckenbill to provide leadership for the remainder of this school year leading into his elected term next year. Mr. Jaffe invited questions about the leadership change and reminded faculty of Jane Elliot’s upcoming visit to campus.

V. Report of the Graduate Student Association

None

VI. Report of the Administrative Officers

Associate Provost

Associate Provost Adams shared the stirring experience of MIM today, noting the breadth of student presentations and impressive participation. He thanked presenters, helpers, and visitors. Dr. Adams also announced that the CAE will begin a program to match new faculty with a mentoring colleague from a different department.

Dean

Dean DeSantis reported on enrollments for summer sessions, noting numbers were higher for graduate students but down some for undergraduates. It was noted that the minimum enrollment for summer is nine students for undergraduate courses or six students for graduate courses.

VII. Curricular Notices

NEW UNDERGRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS

(1) ENGL 318: Web Writing & Content Management, 3 credits, AW, DL. Proposal for course to study writing for the Web and creating content for interactive experiences.

(2) ENGL 319: Science Writing, 3 credits, AW. Proposal for course to teach effective writing about research for audiences both inside and outside of the sciences.

(3) PSYC 326: Human-Animal bond, 3 credits, DL. Proposal for course to introduce the interaction between humans and animals with an emphasis on pets.

(4) ENGL, Science Writing minor. Proposal to establish the curriculum for a new minor.
(5) BS Business Administration, General Business option. Proposal establishing the curriculum and policies for a new option.

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(6) GFED 370: Teaching Gifted and Talented Learners. Proposal to change course abbreviation and number of ELED 371.

(7) ENGL 274: The Craft of Writing. Proposal to change title, allow repeating for credit, and update course description and outcomes.

(8) BSE Early Childhood programs. Proposal to replace ART 141 with new ART 128 course.

(9) Early Childhood/Middle Level programs. Proposal to replace SPED 312 with SPED 101 as introductory special education course.

VIII. Reports of the Faculty Senate Standing Committees

None

IX. Reports of the Faculty Senate Special Committees

None

X. Faculty Emeriti

None

XI. Committee Elections

Previous nominations were distributed and the floor opened for additional nominations. A Börger-Greco/Cook motion to close nominations and cast a unanimous vote for each unopposed candidate was approved without dissent.

XII. Other/New Business

None

Meeting was adjourned after elections (4:35 p.m.)

Respectfully Submitted,

Aimee L. Miller
Faculty Senate Secretary

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