

**Faculty Senate Minutes  
December 6, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 4:10 p.m. All departments were in attendance except Athletics, Counseling & Human Development, Early, Middle & Exceptional Education, and Nursing.

I. Minutes of previous meeting

The minutes of the November 15, 2016 meeting of the Faculty Senate were approved as written.

II. Proposed Courses and Programs

**NEW GRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS**

- (1) SOWK 775: Dissertation Seminar, 3 credits. Proposal for new course was approved without dissent.

**CHANGES TO GRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS**

- (2) ART 526: Current Trends in Art Education. Proposal to allow the title to vary based on the topic to be explored in the course and allow students to take the course more than once for credit was approved without dissent.

**NEW UNDERGRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS**

- (3) Undergraduate Certificate in Marketing. Proposal for a 15-credit certificate program was approved without dissent.

A question was raised about the target audience for this certificate. It was noted that substantial pre-requisites are needed to pursue the program.

**CHANGES TO UNDERGRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS**

- (4) PSYC 329: Industrial/Organizational Psychology. Proposal to add prerequisites was approved without dissent.

III. Report of the Faculty Senate Chairperson

Chair Börger-Greco encouraged faculty to participate in Commencement. Dr. Börger-Greco reminded senators that election of Faculty Senate officers will be conducted at the first spring meeting. She also announced that she will be retiring at the end of the school year but will gladly share insights with anyone interested in serving.

An update was given on the redesign of the university website. Mr. Adam Owenz, Mr. Vincent Reedy, and Mr. Mike Dulay shared progress and encouraged updating of content

to be migrated or removal of old pages. It was noted that input will be collected from stake holders, including students.

IV. Report of the Student Senate

Mr. James Duncan reported that Student Senate awarded 40 \$250 textbook grants and is completing elections.

V. Report of the Graduate Student Association

None

VI. Report of the Administrative Officers

**Associate Provost**

Associate Provost Adams urged faculty to attend graduation.

**Dean**

Dean DeSantis reported solid enrollments for winter courses that keep us on target for budget needs.

VII. Curricular Notices

None

VIII. Reports of the Faculty Senate Standing Committees

**GCPRC**

**NEW GRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS**

- (1) EMGT 609: Disaster Response and Long-Term Recovery, 3 credits. Proposal for new course.
- (2) ENGL 616: The Documentary, 3 credits. Proposal for new course.

**CHANGES TO GRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS**

- (3) ECHD 511: Early Childhood Education in Today's Society. Proposal to update course number, title, description, and outcomes.

**CHANGES TO GRADUATE POLICY**

- (4) Academic Standing Policy. Proposal to address academic appeals and dismissals for graduate students.

**AOAC**

Dr. Robyn Davis reported on rubrics with tutorial videos to help faculty promote General Education integration with coursework, the assessment luncheon to be held in the spring, and work on developing resources for evaluating scientific literacy and quantitative reasoning.

A question was raised about how to improve participation of student members on campus committees to allow better consideration of student perspectives. Mr. Duncan offered to speak with Student Senate President Pierre about promoting participation.

### **Cooperative & Experiential Learning**

Dr. Robyn Davis announced Career Week and the Job/Internship Fair to be held in the spring semester. She reported 243 students had internships in the summer and fall of 2016. Dr. Davis commented on lower student attendance and overall satisfaction at the most recent job fair and ways to help employers and students match skills beyond just defined majors or programs.

### **APC**

Senator Adyanga discussed proposed changes made to the Curriculum Approval Process based on previous feedback and noted the proposed Area Curriculum Committee document in standardized format. He also introduced proposed updates to the Study Abroad policy for consideration.

#### IX. Reports of the Faculty Senate Special Committees

None

#### X. Faculty Emeriti

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#### XI. Other/New Business

None

Meeting was adjourned at 5:19 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aimee L. Miller  
Faculty Senate Secretary

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