



WICHITA STATE
UNIVERSITY

UNCLASSIFIED
PROFESSIONAL SENATE

Meeting Minutes
Tuesday, October 15, 2013

Present: Ellen Abbey, Quinn Addis, Belinda Bishop, Gina Crabtree, Janelle Darr, Gabrielle Dodosh, Kathy Downes, Sally Fiscus, Amanda Konecny, Mark McCain, Cheryl Miller, Brett Morrill, Sheelu Surender, Frankie Brown (ex-officio), Connie Dietz (ex-officio), Andrea Stipp (ex-officio), Jessica Treadwell (ex-officio), Heather Perkins (at-large).

Absent: April Keim, Maria Martino, Susan Norton

Guests: Dr. Kimberly Engber

I. Call to order at 9:05 AM

II. Approval of, September 17, 2013 minutes

Motion to approve minutes made by Gabrielle Dodosh and seconded by Sally Fiscus. Motion passed.

III. Guest – Dr. Kimberly Engber, Director of Honors

Dr. Engber distributed handouts and gave an overview of the new honors program. The program will be 24 credit hours which include 12 hours of introductory course that can be substituted if the student has already advanced. The Honors College will be an equivalent unit to other colleges and report directly to the Vice President of Academic Affairs. The honors program currently brings in 70 students and graduates 20 students per year. WSU is the first university in Kansas to offer an honors degree.

IV. President Bardo Meeting Report

- a. Gina reported that the President did not have any major items for the senate.
- b. President Bardo has asked Gina to serve as Special Assistant to the President. She will assist with Royal direct marketers and with the Pappas Group consultants. Gina will continue her role as university Registrar as well as the Unclassified Senate President.
- c. Gina discussed the Board of Regents visit on October 14th. The president indicated that the regents were impressed with the university and that they are open to the issues that concern us. The regents recommended that we get involved in the legislative process not as a state employee, but as a taxpayer.

V. New/Old Business

- a. November UP General Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, November 14, 2013, at 3:30 pm. – The president has added this meeting to his calendar and will speak to the body. It was recommended that we also invited the new Vice President of Academic Affairs, Dr. Tony Vizzini. Other suggestions included Andy Schlapp, and Wade Robinson. Gina will extend the invitations. Discussion topics include updates on the new residence halls, online programs and the new evening hours.
- b. University Policies Recommendations – Nothing to report at this time.

- c. Constitutional Review – Brett Morrill reported that the committee met October 18th. He will be bringing something to the senate in the next few weeks.
- d. Senate Documents in Cube – Gina reported that April Keim was working with Becky North on security access to the Cube. We will receive an email when an account has been created.

VI. Reports from Committee Chairs

- a. Service – Sally Fiscus reported that planning is underway for Stuff the Bus. She will also start recruiting for the Wu Crew to help at the Lord's Diner. Volunteers will receive a Wu Crew t-shirt.
- b. Professional Development – Kathy Downes reported that Tech Day is scheduled for October 29th at the Ablah Library between 11am – 2pm. There are 30 presenters including Adobe and Microsoft.
- c. Awards/Recognition – Gabrielle Dodosh reported that she would like to have flyers available at the Fall General Meeting to promote the awards process.
- d. Legislative – No Report
- e. Grievance – No Report
- f. Election – No Report
- g. Dining Services – No Report
- h. UPS Website – Gina reminded the senate that any items that need to be added to the website should be sent to Kevin Crabtree.
- i. RSC Board of Directors – Andi Stipp reported that the Bookstore will be pushing online orders.
- j. Wellness – No Report
- k. Traffic Appeals – Brett Morrill reported that tickets written in the first 2-3 weeks of school were voided. The Traffic Appeals committee reviewed seven written and two in-person appeals last month.
- l. Unclassified Professional Staff Council – No Report
- m. Library Appeals – No Report

VII. As May Arise

- a. None

VIII. Announcements

- a. Next Meeting: November 19, 2013 – Gina will ask Police Chief Sara Morris to attend the next meeting and discuss parking issues, the new shuttle bus service and evening security measures. Suggestions for future meetings include CCSR to discuss Ameri-Corp Vista and Dr. Rick Muma to discuss One-Stop and Online Learning.

IX. Adjourned at 10:00 AM – Motion to adjourn made by Brett Morrill and seconded by Sheelu Surender. Motion passed.

Submitted by Ellen Abbey