

Academic Senate
Agenda for the Meeting of
September 5th, 2017
UCB 202A
10:00 - 11:50 am Session

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Approval of Minutes
 - A. April 25th, 2017
3. Open Forum
4. Reports
 - A. Senate President – Charles Bacon
 - B. Senate Vice President – Sandy Alspach
 - C. Senate Secretary – Melinda Isler
5. Committee Reports
 - A. University Curriculum Committee – Rusty Leonard
 - B. General Education – Kristen Conley
 - C. Student Government – Patrick Maloney
 - D. Athletic Advisory Committee – Lee Templin
 - E. Elections Committee – Chuck Drake
6. Old Business
7. New Business
 - A. International Education, Study Abroad Procedures – TBA
8. Conversations with the Senate
 - A. Comprehensive Campaign – Shelly Pearcy
9. Announcements
 - A. FSU President - David Eisler
 - B. Provost – Paul Blake
 - C. Senate President – Charles Bacon
10. Open Forum

**Minutes
Ferris State University
April 25, 2017- 10:00 a.m.**

Members in Attendance: Alspach, Bacon C., Bacon, M., Bajor, Balanda, Baran, Berghoef, Brecken, Briggs, Bright, diNardo, Drake, Epps, Foulk, Fox, Gray, Hancock, Hanna, Ing, Isler, Jenerou, Lewis, Maike, Marion, Piercey, Pisani.
Members absent with cause: Conley, Cronk, Fadayomi, Rumpf, Shimko, Stone, Thapa, Todd, VanLent, Wancour, Zyla
Members absent: Mattis,
Ex Officio and Guests: Adeyanju, Blake, Durst, Eisler, Franklund, Haik, Hawkins, Wellman, Cluchey, Johnson, Dawson, Thomson

1.	President Thapa called the meeting to order at 10:06 a.m.
2.	Approval of Minutes. Senator Balanda moved to approve the minutes. Senator Ing seconded. Senator Stone requested a correction of her comments to include "something that the faculty are eligible for in a second year." Senator Mary Bacon seconded. The motion passed 93% to 3% with 3% abstaining.
3.	Open Forum. Senator Bajor commented on the current student population who chose to give up their status and let Ferris serve in loco parentis. He also notice that the success of certain programs have been diminished and is not recognized. Senator Gray asked why the International Education item was removed from the agenda. President Thapa noted that it was not approved for the agenda because of outstanding questions. Senator Alspach noted the executive committee split on its decision. Senator Alspach also asked about the number of students at Music Take Action to student government and noticed how that policy allowed that group to get much greater funding.
4.	Officer Reports/ President Report President Thapa thanked the senators who have worked with him over the years of his presidency. He has worked to improve academic standards and 3 new programs were introduced. He also took a moment to thank Administrative Assistant Paula Hadley for her service and wish her well for retirement. Vice-President Bacon asked the Student Life Committee to give a brief report. They discussed the progress of the North Hall which will be opening in the fall. Secretary Isler noted that the motion to reconsider APR recommendations for Accountancy had been removed from the agenda by the initiator. The motion to create a NSSE Task Force/Committee proposal had also been removed because of the initiator's absence from the meeting.
5.	Committee Reports UCC Chair Kemi Fadayomi was absent and UCC member Mark VanLent asked if there were any comments on the written report included with the packet. There were none. Senator Drake presented the election results and noted an election was in process for the open seat in Optometry. General Education Coordinator Cliff Franklund said continues to work on the committees and making sure all information is on the website. There will be training for all faculty at Welcome Back Week. He welcomed Senator Kristen Conley to the committee. The Student Government President was absent.
6a	Faculty Qualifications and HLC. Vice-Provost Robbie Teahan discussed the updates in HLC faculty qualifications. All faculty must be qualified by fall 2017, not just in their discipline but also individually by course. It is up to local institutions to determine at a program level what expertise is. There are still unresolved issues regarding dual enrollment and certain Kendall programs. For those not qualified, they must have a final degree completion plan in the

	works. Senator Balanda asked that if they opted for a tested experience credential, if they would be able to repost the job another time for a higher degree. Teahan suggested making that qualification a preferred, as it may be hard to argue in the required category. Senator Baran asked if this applied to clinical pharmacy/optometry faculty. Teahan responded in applies to anyone in an instructional capacity.
6b	HLC Quality Initiatives Jennifer Hegenhaur, the project manager for the HLC Quality Initiatives, introduced herself to the senate. She noted that the initiatives were approved in February 2017 and are part of our 10 year pathway. The focus is centers of academic literacies (retention, learning). There are currently 33 projects underway.
7	ISI Cybersecurity Certificate [This motion was postponed at the previous meeting.] Coordinator Emerick was present to discuss the use of the word ethics within the computer profession. Senator Epps asked if this program focused on legal vulnerabilities in a system. Senator Gray brought up the fact that ethics has a totally different meaning within philosophy. Emerick noted this was professional term that is a standard in the industry. It is not a n ethics curriculum but one which is based on practicality. Senator Lewis asked why not then use another name. Emerick responded that this is the industry term. Senator Todd asked for definition of cybersecurity. Emerick responded in includes information assurance and information security and is used in digital forensics. The motion passed 84% to 13% with 3% abstaining.
8a	Doctor of Pharmacy Curriculum Revision Senator VanLent moved to approve the curriculum revision for Doctor of Pharmacy. Senator Lewis seconded. Senator Baran asked if this revision would assist in decreasing the faculty-student ratio. Pharmacy Dean Steve Durst noted that the faculty requirements have been discussed with the Board of Trustees and are being addressed in the next year. Motion passed 73% to 13% with 3% abstaining.
8b	New Degree- Certificate in Forensic Accounting Senator VanLent moved to approve the new degree. Senator Zyla seconded. Motion passed 90% to 10%.
9.	Announcements/Presidents Report. There was recognition of the Mens Basketball Team, Mens Football Team and Womens Basketball Team for their successful seasons. President Eisler added his thanks to Paula Hadley and thanked the Senate for all their efforts. Provost Blake thanked both President Thapa and Paula Hadley for their service and all of the outgoing senators.
10.	The meeting was adjourned at 10:50 a.m.

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Good afternoon all,

Please find attached the updated minutes from the 04/26/2017 meeting. Also, see below for additional information from Shelly Percy regarding the Comprehensive Campaign:

Faculty and Staff and their spouses will be extended a special price of \$125 per person to attend The Ferris Foundation Benefit and comprehensive campaign announcement at the DeVos Place in Grand Rapids on Friday, Nov. 10. For more information on the Benefit, visit <https://ferris.edu/giving/foundation-benefit.htm>

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