

**Minutes
Ferris State University
3 December 2019, 10:00 a.m.**

Members in Attendance: Alspach, Aslakson, Axford, Bajor, Balanda, Beaudry, Berghoef, Bright, Colley, Daubert, Drake, Emerick, Flachs, Foulk, Gray, Herrington, Isler, Johnson, Joseph, Kuiper, Lamberts, Lotoczky, Pisani, Schoenlein, Smith, Swinkunas, , Waters, Weaver, Wiltshire, Zube

Members absent with cause: Baran, Hanna, Moresi, Wolfer

Members absent: Emerick, Todd, Winowiecki

Ex-Officio and Guests: Blake, Damari, Dunneback, Durst, Eisler, Gibbs, Goosen, Hawkins, Hegenauer, Johnson L., Johnson Ml, Leonard, Nicol, Piercey, Reifert, Siferlein

1.	President Alspach called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m. The virtual reality briefing and comments by Lindsay Barber, Birkam Health Center has been delayed.
2.	Approval of the Minutes Senator Waters moved to approve the November 5, 2019 minutes. Senator Daubert seconded. Secretary Isler noted that there were corrections made to the October minutes about comments about networking courses on campus made to the October minutes. Motion passed 91% to 0% with 9% abstentions.
3.	Open Forum There were no comments for open forum.
4.	Officer Reports. President Alspach noted the Senate has been moved to a second week meeting in January 2020 because of holiday schedule and asked for any suggested conversations for the spring semester to be sent to the Executive Committee. Vice-President Mike Berghoef has filled 95% of committee seats (possibly a record). He is working with the Student Government to fill the remaining student seats. Some committees are changing missions and one will come up today. The Academic Senate continues to work with Academic Affairs to implement the Academic Amnesty policy and has found some case studies. He continues to meet with the academic standards policy committee and students. We are recruiting for an APR and UCC chair possible vacancies and forward potential names to Executive Committee. Secretary Isler had no report.
5a	University Curriculum Committee Chair Rusty Leonard noted that there are several informational proposals if there are any questions and 3 proposals for voting. There has been an outcomes amnesty to change outcomes by mid-February. UCC will review outcomes that have been put in batches and make sure they are acceptable. Faculty will have a year to correct. Anyone can put in outcomes but faculty have final say on whether they are correct.
5b	Academic Program Review APR member Sue Waters said Senate Executive Committee and APR and Academic Affairs are meeting to finalize the revised APR guidelines to get them up for the January meeting. It is meant to streamline the process.
5c	General Education Chair Victor Piercey reported all proposals that were submitted this time were reviewed and decisions made on time. He thanked the subcommittees for their work.. The first closing the loop conversation occurred before Thanksgiving break. There was a discussion on of outcomes and assessment conversation moving in a positive direction. Meeting activities are being transcribed.

<p>7a</p>	<p>UCC proposals</p> <p>Secretary Isler moved to create the MFGE-BS Process Development concentration. Seconded by Senator Zube. Champion Dunneback was there to explain the new class for this concentration. The former quality program in Grand Rapids had been shuttered but it has now been converted to a concentration. There was other program cleanup. Alspach asked if concentration shows on transcript. Dunneback said it shows up as a level added. Motion passed 100% to 0% .</p> <p>President Alspach turned the meeting over to the Vice-President. Senator Waters moved to approve the Sports science minor. Seconded by Senator Axford. President Alspach noted that current largest group of majors go into coaching (and needed some additional credentials. She spoke with the athletic trainer who notes that it is now a masters level program instead of a certificate. She reviewed the perquisites for entry into these programs. She spoke with Biology to see if there was a pre-athletic training minor. There is not (and not resources to support it). She spoke with Health Professions courses that could help meet the requirements. The School of Education had the certification in Physical Education. They have 4 of the required hosted so they agreed to host the program (but has program proposer and pieces from different colleges). It will be added to the Sports Communications major once approved. Director Ing noted that this fits with Education and many of their current students and gives them an edge. Senator Gray asked a general question about how the UCC deals with more interdisciplinary process where multiple departments may need to vote on a proposal? President Alspach agrees needs to changes. Leonard said that there can be a modified Form A and additional Form Bs? Leonard noted issues with the core business curriculum and issues that led looking at a different process. Form Be's may not get down to the level. Senator Joseph asked how it shows on a transcript and what percentage is online. Alspach said it is a minor and Ing noted that the EPDE classes offers mixed delivery but there are ways in which they can do some of this through videotaping. Senator Balanda says outcomes 1,2 and 4 are directly linked so perhaps move outcome 3. Some are factors and strategies (and should be more connected and are not in crosswalk taught by same department Alspach said it suggests that a 100 initiates, 200 reinforces and 300/400 indicates mastery but can be played with. Also that some are statistically based and other analytic Senator Drake sked if thought to offering alternate enrollment because of course size. Ing noted it holds back those who need to graduate in timely fashion and this should increase enrollment. Senator Daubert said this would be useful for physical therapy students but they take a different math course. Alspach noted that a substitution could be made. Senator Joseph asked given the minimums required what would be the golden path of minimum time to completion. Alspach said key would be in general education in first year. It should be able to finished in 4.</p> <p>Motion passed 93% to 3% with 3% abstaining.</p>
<p>7b</p>	<p>International Education Committee Modification</p> <p>Vice-President Berghoef moved to support the International Education Committee revisions to align with other senate committees to have one college representative, 1 Senator and 4 at large members. This came from the committee to have broader membership. This one had unusual configuration at least 10 years and was mostly about those who did study abroad. Senator Fadayomi asked how many at large member are usually on a committee. Do any have four? Secretary Isler said usually it is two. Vice-President did not have clarification of why 4 because of timing of the meeting. Senator Fadayomi made a friendly amendment to limit to two at-large members. Senator Gray said objected to an amendment without understanding committee's reasoning. He moved to postpone to January 2020 meeting. Senator Herrington seconded Motion to postpone passed 93% support and 7% with no abstentions.</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>Announcements</p> <p>President Eisler thanked faculty for their service and attendance at events. He notes the state budget is till at a standstill. There is some hope in meeting to consider investment in higher education and a greater investment and a removal of performance funding.</p> <p>Provost Blake added his appreciation for faculty's work and that of the Senate.</p> <p>Student Government representative Alex Hand noted several events including Pancakes with the President, Monday nights at the Rock and a live Christmas tree on the quad.</p>

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The Senate adjourned at 11:05 a.m.