

**Ferris State University
Academic Senate Meeting
Tuesday, December 2, 1997 - 10:00 a.m.**

I. Call to Order: President Key called the meeting to order at 10:05 am in the President's Room.

II. Attendance

Senators Present: Abbasabadi, Anderson, Bonning, Conati, Dakkuri, Etienne, Green, Hanna, Hastings-Bishop, Heidemann, Holihan, Huey, Jackson, Kane, Key, Konrad, Kowalkoski, Krumins, Lovsted, Maas, Nagel, Nikkari, Papo, Pilgrim, Rupe, Ryan, Rye, Saladin, Shepler, Smith, Squicciarini, Stephen, Thapa, Valas, Wininger

Senators Absent. Adewusi (excused), Klope, Nista (excused)

Guests. Joe Chartkoff, Isabel Barnes, Tom Oldfield, Roger Daugherty, Douglas Haneline, Dale Harrison, Debbie Sokoloski, Russ Hess, Mike Ells, Alan Lewis, James Brady, Mary Waldron, Steve Perialas, Linda Travis

II. Approval of November 18, 1997, minutes. Motion by Senator Abbasabadi, with support from Senator Nagel that the minutes be accepted as written.

III. Open Forum - No comments at this time.

IV. Committee Reports

A. Senate Governance committee - Senator Heidemann - The University Wide committees are meeting.

B. University Curriculum Committee - Senator Lovsted - Committee is waiting for responses, no new items have been approved.

C. Academic Program Review - Doug Haneline - See Attachment A for **APRC recommendations to include modifications of December 1, 1997.**

Motion by **Senator Heidemann**, with support from **Senator Konrad**, that the **General Recommendations** from the Academic Program Review Committee be accepted. Those recommendations are:

- Continue to improve data quality
- Assure monitoring of Minors and Certificates, Non-Degree Courses and Sequences

- Give faculty more input as instructional facilities are built or remodeled
 - Be ready to replace Perkins Funds
 - Create and fund a system for regular and necessary acquisition of equipment
 - Improve equipment repair system
 - Recognize that programs on campus use MACs and try to meet users needs
 - Study the feasibility of Ferris students buying/leasing computers from a provider through the University
 - Do detailed needs assessments before moving programs to Grand Rapids
- Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by **Senator Thapa**, with support by **Senator Papo**, to accept the APRC **Mechanical Engineering Technology** recommendation to enhance this program. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by **Senator Heidemann**, with support by **Senator Konrad**, to accept APRC recommendations to continue the following programs:

- **BS Applied Biology**
- **AAS Dental Hygiene**
- **BS Nursing**
- **BS Recreation Leadership and Management**
- **AAS Technical Drafting and Tool Design**

Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by **Senator Heidemann**, with support by **Senator Green**, to accept the APRC recommendation to continue with monitoring the **BS in Advertising**. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by **Senator Heidemann**, with support by **Senator Nagel**, to accept the APRC recommendation to continue with monitoring the **BS in Applied Mathematics/Actuarial Sciences**. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by **Senator Hastings-Bishop**, with support by **Senator Nagel**, to accept the APRC recommendation to continue with monitoring the **BS in Industrial and Environmental Health Management**. Motion passes with one abstention.

Motion by **Senator Heidemann**, with support by **Senator Nagel**, to accept the APRC recommendation to continue with monitoring the **AAS in Opticianry**. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by **Senator Hastings-Bishop**, with support by **Senator Jackson**, to accept the APRC recommendation to continue with monitoring the **BS in Public Relations**. **Senator Stephen moves to amend the original motion**, with support from **Senator Papo**, to *“accept the APRC recommendation to continue with monitoring the **BS in Public Relations** with the removal of reference to the actual number of students (100) to be enrolled”*. 20 yeas, 10 nays, motion

passes. Motion by **Senator Green**, with support from **Senator Maas** to revise the APRC recommendation to read "*The Academic Senate and the APRC endorse the programs' goal for increasing enrollment*". Motion to revise passes. Main motion passes.

Motion by **Senator Heidemann**, with support by **Senator Konrad**, to accept the APRC recommendation to close the **AS in Dental Technology**. After discussion, **Senator Nagel**, with support by **Senator Valas**, moves to amend the original motion to read "*continue with monitoring*". After discussion, **Senator Stephen**, with support from **Senator Green**, moves to amend the main motion as follows: "*continue with monitoring and to send mandate to the APRC for a revised recommendation*". After a lengthy discussion motion, as amended, passes, with 6 abstentions. See **Attachment B** for letter of support for the Dental Technology program that was distributed to the Academic Senate.

Two programs were not available for review at the November 18, 1997, meeting. **AAS in General Business and AAS in Real Estate** were presented to the Senate for first reading by Professor Haneline. Both programs are recommended to be continued with monitoring. Both programs will be voted on at the January 13, 1998, meeting.

V. Old Business

A. **Approval of Sport Management Emphasis Track** - See **Attachment C** - Motion by **Senator Valas**, with support by **Senator Kowalkoski**, to bring previously tabled item (November 4 Senate meeting), Sports Management Emphasis to the floor. Motion passes unanimously.

Motion by **Senator Heidemann**, with support by **Senator Abbasabadi**, to approve the Sports Management Emphasis Track. Motion passes unanimously.

B. **Academic Senate Charter Preamble** - Motion by **Senator Nagel**, with support by **Senator Wininger**, that the portion of the Academic Senate Charter preamble beginning with '*Any amendments to the Academic Senate Charter*', be revised as follows:

Any amendments to the Academic Senate Charter shall be subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees, and the Board of Trustees may recommend amendments to the Senate Charter to the Academic Senate for consideration and review, and may, in collaboration with the Academic Senate, revise the Charter.

After discussion of procedures for amending the Charter, **Senator Nagel** moves to amend the motion, support by **Senator Wininger**, to request

the Senate recommend the Charter change for a general vote of the faculty in accord with Section 9 of the Charter. After further discussion, **Senator Nagel withdraws the motion**, with support from **Senator Wininger**.

Motion by Senator Kane, with support by **Senator Ryan**, that the Senate Elections Committee review and propose revisions to the Academic Senate Charter and return to the Senate with recommendations as appropriate. Motion passes unanimously.

- VI. **Open Forum - Senator Ryan** commends the APRC for the work they have performed. He also suggested that the Executive Committee of the Senate form an ad hoc committee to review data used by the APRC for program costing.
- VII. **President Key** passed out a document sent by President Sederburg (See **Attachment D**) and **adjourned the meeting at 11:55 pm**.

Respectfully Submitted,

John Kane, Secretary

Approved,

Greg Key, President