

**Ferris State University  
Academic Senate Meeting  
Tuesday, February 4, 2003, 10:00 a.m.  
President's Room, Rankin Center**

- I. **Call to Order:** **President Papo** called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.
- II. **Attendance**

**Senators Present:** Abbasabadi, Aiken, Bandstra, Berghoef, Carter, Conati, Cron, Dickinson, Drake, Ek, Ferdowski, Griffin, Hall, Jakubowski, Johnson, Kantar, Konrad, Kowalkoski, Liszewski, Loesch, Lovsted, Ngoh, Papo, Parks, Parry, Ryan, Reed, McCarthy, Sanderson, Stein, Stern, Thapa, Tomczyk, Vermeer, Wilson, Zobeck

**Senators Absent:** Conati (excused), Hanna (excused), Kowalkoski (excused), Nagel (excused), Nelson (excused),

**Guests:** Laurie Chesley, Chuck Matrosic, David Nicol, Deborah Thalner, Don Flickinger, Cheryl Cluchey
- III. **Approval of January 14, 2003 minutes – Motion** to accept the minutes as written. Motion carries.
- IV. **Open Forum**

**Senator Wilson** announced the International Advisory Committee is accepting nominations for International Student of the Year and International Educator of the Year. For details or questions, please contact Dr. Paul Landon at Ext. 2406.

**Senator Ferdowski** expressed a concern regarding clocks on campus. All are not synchronized and it is becoming a problem.

**Senator Drake** announced that the Faculty/Staff soccer team is looking for players. They play on Thursday evenings at 9 pm in the General Purpose Room in the Athletic Complex.

**Senator Parks** distributed a poster for the Peace Walk to be held on February 5, 2003 at the Obelisk at Bond Hall at 11 a.m.

**President Papo** advised Senators that the newly formed General Education Task Force would be meeting in the very near future.
- V. **Committee Reports**
  - A. **University Curriculum Committee – Senator Drake** provided Senators with a written report (see Attachment A). He advised Senators they might want to revise the resolution passed at the January 14, 2003, dealing with the recording of faculty votes on UCC forms.

**Motion by Senator Loesch, with support from Senator Aiken** to amend Motion I from Jan. 2003 to read as follows with bracketed information inserted: Form A be modified to amend the UCC policy in order to allow the Academic Senate to see the Program Faculty [and/or academic unit] and College Curriculum Committee actual vote count tally written on Form A. Omission of this vote count renders Form A incomplete and forces it to be returned to the Curriculum Committee or to the initiator. Following discussion, motion carries.

- B. Senate Election Committee – Senator Ferdowsi** reminded Senators that elections would be held March 18 and 19. Please return nomination forms to the Senate Office (CSS 208A) before February 28, 2003.

**VI. Old Business**

- A. Credit/No Credit Procedure – Deborah Thalner, Assistant Dean, Technology Transfer Center,** updated Senators on the procedures used for adult learners to receive credit for non-credit training and experiential learning activities. Following a brief question and answer period, **Senator Aiken, with support from Senator Griffin** moved to accept the Ferris State University procedure on credit for non-credit policy, motion carries. See Attachment B for a copy of the procedures.

**VII. New Business**

**Senator Parks, with support from Senator Griffin,** moved that the Academic Senate express its concern to the Board of Trustees over not having a representative on the Presidential Search Advisory Committee. The Academic Senate asks for public access to on-going, timely information about the search process. Motion carries.

**VIII. Open Forum**

**Senator Drake, with support from Senator Abbasabdi,** moved to amend **Motion I** of today's meeting, regarding the completion of Form A of the UCC Manual to read as follows:

*Form A be modified to amend the UCC policy in order to allow the Academic Senate to see the Program Faculty [and/or academic unit] and College Curriculum Committee actual vote count tally written on Form A. Omission of this vote count renders Form A incomplete and forces it to be returned. ~~to the Curriculum Committee or to the initiator.~~*

**Senator Parry** asked that any concerns or comments for the recently established General Education Task Force be directed to [hadley-p@ferris.edu](mailto:hadley-p@ferris.edu) at the Senate Office.

**Senator Stern** asked why Academic Affairs, specifically Dr. Oldfield, and the President's Office were not represented at the Senate meeting.

**Senator McCarthy** asked whom people should call if they want to be involved with new faculty training. Dr. Chesley suggested that they call Terry Doyle, at CFTLD, Ext. 2440.

**IX. Adjournment – Meeting adjourned at 12:05 p.m.**

Respectfully Submitted,

Approved,

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David Aiken, Secretary

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William Papo, President