

**Ferris State University
Academic Senate Meeting
Tuesday, September 7, 1999
President's Room, Rankin Center**

I. **Call to Order: President Konrad** called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

II. **Attendance**

Senators Present: Abbasabadi, Aiken, Anderson, Bonning, Conati, Daugherty, Drake, El Saidi, Ferdowsi, Griffin, Hanna, Hancock, Hastings-Bishop, Johnson, Key, Klope, Konrad, Kowalkoski, Krumins, Lindsey, Lovsted, Merwin, Nagel, Nista, Papo, Peterson-Klein, Pilgrim, Ryan, Speirs, Squicciarini, Stern, Westman,

Senators Absent: Bandstra, Green (excused), Hartman, Kane (excused), Shepler, Westhoven (excused), Winger

Guests: Isabel Barnes, Barbara Chapman, Richard Cochran, Sue Hammersmith, Douglas Haneline, Victor Broderick, Richard Kowalkoski, Jeff Nagelbush, Sally Johnson, Julie Coon, Jim Carey, Karen Norman, Paul Prins, Pat Klarecki, Eric Lambert, Clayton Rye, Irwin Kahn, Vincent King, Ladi Terry

III. **Approval of Minutes**

Motion by Senator Nista, with support from Senator Griffin to approve the minutes of the April 27, 1999, 10 a.m. Senate meeting, the April 27, 1999, 11 a.m. Senate meeting, and the August 24, 1999 Senate meeting. The minutes were approved as written.

IV. **Open Forum**

Senator Pilgrim expressed concern regarding the lack of secretaries and clerical workers. He suggested that some of the apparent FSUS windfall be used to add personnel to departments that have had secretaries and clerical workers retrenched.

Senator Stern would like the Senate to take a look at the large packet that University Advancement sent regarding their campaign. Feedback should be given at this stage rather than after the fact.

Senator Ryan suggested that President Sederburg discuss, in an open forum, his article in *Change* magazine.

V. **Committee Reports**

- A. **University Curriculum Committee – Senator Lovsted** distributed a list detailing the actions taken by the UCC took this summer (Attachment A).
- B. **Senate Governance Committee – Senator Papo** reminded Senators to return their University-wide volunteer selection form. If you have not returned it, please do so immediately, as selections for University-wide committees will be made on Thursday, September 9.

VI. **Old Business**

New Mathematics and Computer Science Courses for the Revision to Master of Education – Moved by Senator Lovsted with support by **Senator Ferdowsi**, to approve the revision to the Master of Education. After a brief discussion, **motion passes**.

VII. **New Business**

- A. **Revisions to BS in Computer Information Systems – Moved by Senator Ferdowsi, with support from Senator El-Saidi**, to approve the revisions. **Senator Stern** would like to see clarification regarding English courses. **University Curriculum Committee Chair Lovsted**

advised her that those types of corrections should come from the English department through the College of Arts and Sciences. **Motion passes.**

- B. Revisions to Associate Degree in Nursing – Motion by Senator Daugherty, with support by Senator Squicciarini, to approve the revisions. Senator Hanna inquired as to approval by the State of Michigan. Sally Johnson, Department Head, responded that after the changes are approved at this level; they will be forwarded to the state for approval. Motion passes, one nay.**
- C. Curriculum Clean up – Construction Technology and Management - Motion by Senator Klope, with support by Senator Papo, to approve the revisions. Motion Passes.**
- D. Curriculum Clean up - MS in Career and Technological Education – Motion by Senator Papo, with support by Senator Squicciarini, to approve the revisions. Motion Passes.**
- E. Curriculum Clean up – General Business Teaching Minor – Motion by Senator Lovsted, with support by Senator Hastings-Bishop, to approve the revisions. Motion passes.**

Senator Ryan, with support from Senator Nagel, moves to waive the requirement for a second reading on minors in this case. Senator Lovsted commented that in the past only one reading has been required for minors. Motion passes, one nay.

- F. Recreation Leadership and Management Minor – Motion by Senator Hastings- Bishop, with support by Senator Ferdowsi, to approve the minor. Motion passes, one nay.**
- G. Criminal Justice Minor – Motion by Senator Squicciarini, with support from Senator Lovsted to approve the minor. Motion passes.**
- H. Forensic Science Minor/Criminal Justice – Motion by Hastings-Bishop, with support by Senator Kowalkoski, to approve the minor. After a brief discussion concerning the availability of faculty to instruct, the motion passes.**
- I. Bachelors Degree in New Media Printing and Publishing – Motion by Senator Conati, with support from Senator Klope, to bring to the table for first reading the new degree. President Konrad closed discussion.**
- J. AAS Degree in Accountancy – Motion by Senator Ferdowsi, with support from Senator Hastings-Bishop to bring to the table for first reading the new degree. President Konrad closed discussion.**
- K. Integrative Studies – Motion by Senator Hastings-Bishop, with support from Senator Squicciarini to bring to the table for first reading the new degree. Following discussion of concerns related to assessment of prior work history credit and integrity of the university President Konrad closed discussion.**
- L. Psychology – Motion by Senator Anderson, with support from Senator Griffin, to bring to the table for first reading the new degree. Following discussion regarding lab space, National Science Foundation Grant availability, and release time, President Konrad closed discussion.**

VIII. Announcements

Vice President Chapman, speaking for President Sederburg, announced that the administration is pleased with enrollment figures, although they are not as high as previously projected. She also informed Senators that the **“Curriculum Development and Approval Task Force”** is being formed. Information concerning this task force will be forwarded to the Senate Executive Board for the September 9 meeting.

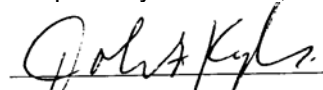
IX. Open Forum

Senator Hastings-Bishop inquired about the grade policy and a time frame for a revised policy.

President Konrad thanked the Senators for their cooperation today.

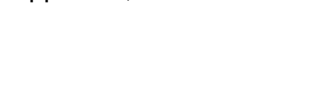
X. Adjournment - Meeting adjourned at 11:57 am.

Respectfully Submitted,



John Kane, Secretary

Approved,



Cindy Konrad, President