Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes
December 10, 2012
3:15 p.m., 601 Rudder Tower
http:// facultysenate.tamu.edu


Absent Excused: Jorge Alvarado, Jonathan Coopersmith, Joe Dannenbaum, Michael Greenwald, Greg Heim, Andrew Klein, Karen-Beth Scholthof

Call to Order

Guest Speaker

Speaker Comments

The speaker introduced Diane Bertinetti as the new Assistant to the Senate and thanked Lena Koestler for her valuable assistance over the interim period.

Planning for the joint UT Faculty Council, TAMU Faculty Senate meeting which will be in March in Austin this year is underway. Senators will be asked to submit topics of interest to be included in the agenda.

The two groups are also making arrangements to meet jointly with key legislators to address issues in higher education, especially as related to our Flagship Universities.
The Executive Committee along with the Legislative Affairs Committee, is planning to meet with our local state legislators before the session begins in January.

The search committee to identify the next Vice President for Research has met to work on defining the position description and is soliciting nominations and applications.

Chancellor Sharp will address the Senate in January and Regent Mendoza will be the February guest speaker.

Dr. Miguel Mora, (WFS) was sworn in as a Senator for the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences to replace Dr. Martyn Gun who left the University.

The November 12, 2012 Faculty Senate minutes were approved as submitted.  

Consent Agenda - Item J, dealing with a Change in Curriculum for B. A. and B. S. degrees in Political Science, College of Liberal Arts, was removed from the consent agenda at the request of Senator Epstein. All other consent agenda items were approved without objection.

GRADUATE COUNCIL – GC REPORT

New Course Requests – November 1, 2012
BMEN 657  Orthopedic Biomechanics  
CVEN 741  Tools for Highway Materials and Pavement Design  
ECEN 773  Introduction to Nanophotonics  
EPSY 606  Motivation and Emotion for Optimal Learning and Performance  
SPED 602  Ethics and Professional Conduct in Special Education and Applied Behavior Analysis

Course Change Requests – November 1, 2012
SCSC 618  Advanced Soil Analysis

UNDERGRADUATE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE – UCC REPORT

New Courses – November 9, 2012
AFST 206  Black Psychology  
AFST 208  Stereotypes, Prejudice, and Minority Experience  
AFST 209  Psychology of Culture and Diversity  
ALED 202  Introduction to Leadership  
BIOL 461  Antimicrobial Agents  
BMEN 457  Orthopedic Biomechanics  
PSYC 206  Black Psychology  
PSYC 208  Stereotypes, Prejudice, and Minority Experience  
PSYC 209  Psychology of Culture and Diversity  
PSYC 354  Conflict and Negotiation
## Withdrawal of Courses – November 9, 2012

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## Change in Curriculum – November 9, 2012

### College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
Department of Agricultural Leadership, Education and Communications
B.S. in Agricultural Leadership & Development

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### College of Agriculture and Life Sciences
Department of Agricultural Leadership, Education and Communications
University Studies Degree
Area of Concentration – Leadership Studies
Change in Curriculum – November 9, 2012

College of Education and Human Development
Department of Educational Psychology
University Studies Degree
   Area of Concentration – Non-Certification Child Professional Services

Change in Curriculum – November 9, 2012

College of Liberal Arts
Department of Hispanic Studies
   B.A. in Spanish

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College of Liberal Arts
Department of Political Science
   B.A. in Political Science
   B.S. in Political Science

Item J. Discussion centered on why the degree called for exclusion of Math 167, an approved core curriculum course, to satisfy the 3 hours of math required by the degree. The Political Sciences Department prefers that student take Math 141 and 142 to prepare for advanced level work in the major, but did not indicate the need to take those courses in the degree plan. The corrected change will be re-presented in the January Senate meeting.

Change in Curriculum – November 9, 2012

College of Science
Department of Mathematics
   B.A. in Mathematics
   B.S. in Mathematics
   B.S. in Applied Mathematical Sciences

Special Consideration – November 9, 2012

College of Architecture
Department of Construction Science
   Minor in Facility Management
   Request for a new minor

Special Consideration – November 9, 2012

Dwight Look College of Engineering
Engineering Scholars Program (ESP) Honors Certificate
   Request for a certificate program name change

Special Consideration – November 9, 2012

Motion Passed
FS.30.68
Attachment H

Motion Passed
FS.30.69
Attachment I

Removed from the Consent Agenda
Attachment J

Motion Passed
FS.30.70
Attachment K

Motion Passed
FS.30.71
Attachment L

Motion Passed
FS.30.72
Attachment M

Motion Passed
Dwight Look College of Engineering  
Certificate in Engineering Therapeutics Manufacturing  
Request for a new certificate program

Special Consideration – November 9, 2012

Dwight Look College of Engineering  
Department of Engineering Technology & Industrial Distribution  
B.S. in Engineering Technology  
Electronics Engineering Technology Option  
Request for a degree program name change

Special Consideration – November 9, 2012

Dwight Look College of Engineering  
Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering  
B.S. in Industrial Engineering  
Request to change grade requirements

Special Consideration – November 9, 2012

College of Liberal Arts  
Department of Political Science  
Certificate in Advanced Research Methods in Political Science  
Request for a new certificate program

Special Consideration – November 9, 2012

College of Liberal Arts  
Department of Political Science  
Certificate in European Union Politics – requirement changes

Special Consideration – November 9, 2012

College of Liberal Arts  
Department of Political Science  
Certificate in Foundations of Political Theory – requirement changes

Special Consideration – November 9, 2012

College of Liberal Arts  
Department of Political Science  
Certificate in International Relations – requirement changes

Special Consideration – November 9, 2012

Motion Passed
College of Liberal Arts
Department of Political Science
Certificate in Race, Ethnicity, and Gender Politics – requirement changes

**Special Consideration – November 9, 2012**

Mays Business School
Certificate in Not-for-Profit Business
Request for a new certificate program

**Special Consideration – November 9, 2012**

College of Science
Department of Biology
Minor in Biology – requirement changes

**W-COURSES**

**Courses submitted for W Certifications – November 16, 2012**

- COMM 440  Political Communication
- COMM 443  Communication and Conflict
- COMM 450  Media Campaigns
- COMM 470  Communication in Health Care Contexts
- COMM 471  Communication, Health and Medicine
- COMM/RELS 480 Religious Communication
- COMM/WGST 411 Representations of Motherhood
- PHIL 307  Philosophy of Social Science

**Courses submitted for W Recertification – November 16, 2012**

- ANSC 311  Equine Behavior and Training
- ANTH 305  Fundamentals of Anthropological Writing
- ATMO 459  Tropical Meteorology
- BIOL 423  Cell Biology Laboratory
- EHRD 371  Applied Learning Principles
- GEOG 430  Environmental Justice
- PHIL 305  Philosophy of Natural Science

End of Consent Agenda

**Committee Reports**

(No Committee Reports)

**Old Business**
Proposed Revisions to TAMU Student Rules, Section 12.2

The change in student rules (Attachment Y) that deals with removal of students with below required academic standards was approved. It includes agreed-upon editing made with the aid of Senator Hill following points raised in discussion in the November meeting.

New Business

Proposed Revisions to TAMU Student Rules, Sections 14, 15

Jim Kracht spoke on behalf of the 2 student rule changes described in Appendix Z that deal with standardizing wording for students seeking dual majors or a second degrees (rule 14) and assuring that students with an honors violation are not able to graduate with honors (rule 15). Voting on the proposed changes will be held in January.

Honorary Degree Candidate Nomination

Motion Passed

Committee of the Whole

Committee of the Whole: Senator Varner requested (again) that a method be devised to allow Senators to preview requests for consideration for Honorary Degrees in a secure on-line setting. It is virtually impossible to go over the dossiers in the Senate setting, and the Senators from Galveston and Qatar are excluded from the hand-out versions.

Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 4:00 p.m.