

**Minutes of the  
Faculty Senate Meeting  
Friday, 22 March, 2002  
Student Center 214, 3:00pm**

Members present: Senators Bradie, Broschious, Catanzaro, Keeling, Kidd, Marshall, Mazzarella, Mullen, Purtle, Schell, Siochi, Underwood, Weiss, Winder, Wymer.

Members absent: Senator Game

- I. Call to order: President Siochi called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.
- II. Approval of Faculty Senate Minutes as amended.
- III. Presidents Report
  - A. Faculty Senate President Siochi reported that the faculty Senate will meet twice more this academic year on April 12 and April 26. The Board of Visitors are scheduled to meet April 11 and June 13. The General Faculty are scheduled to meet April 17 from 3 to 4 p.m.

Senator Schell arrives at 3:17pm

- B. Faculty Senate President Siochi reported on the Senate Executive Committee (SEC) meeting with President Tribble and Chief-of-Staff Perry that occurred on March 18, 2002. Senator Siochi reported that:
      - 1. The SEC and President Tribble agreed to establish regular meeting times on Monday mornings at 9am.
      - 2. President Tribble briefed the SEC on meeting with a delegation from the department Chairs. President Tribble stated that the department chairs made three suggestions:
        - a. That President Tribble hold Town meetings to answer faculty and staff questions and help increase university communication.
        - b. That President Tribble write a semi-regular newsletter from the administration to the faculty and staff of CNU.
        - c. That Christopher Newport University establishes a family day or faculty/staff dinner.

Senator Catanzaro arrives at 3:30pm

- 3. President Tribble asked the Senate to create a committee to establish a freshman greeting ceremony or event and a committee to advise the President on Commencement Speakers.
        - 4. President Tribble asked the SEC about the committee to establish a Faculty Club. Senator Keeling stated that she is the chair of that committee and will make several recommendations.
  - C. Faculty Senate President Siochi suggested that Faculty should investigate a more formal system of Faculty Development. President Siochi suggested that a director of Faculty Development might be needed.
    - 1. Senator Purtle stated during the Budget Advisory Committee meetings Provost Summerville suggested a university need for Faculty Development funds.

2. President Siochi suggested departments need a budget line item for travel and departmental development. Additionally, it would be helpful to have a full time person helping faculty with grants.
3. Senator Purtle stated the Budget Advisory Committee recommended funds for sabbaticals.
4. Senator Mazzarella suggested that CNU try to establish a sabbatical system similar to other universities that guarantees faculty sabbaticals after a number of years of service to the institution.

#### IV. Committee Reports

- A. Senator Purtle reported on the Senate Leadership Committee. Subcommittees of this committee include.
  1. Department chair development subcommittee working on the idea of a department chairs retreat and a council of Department Chairs
  2. Subcommittee on Governmental structure looking at governmental structure of other high quality Universities.
  3. Subcommittee on faculty development to include faculty governance information, looking at establishing new faculty orientation.
- B. Senator Weiss reported on the General Education Committee.
  1. The GEC recommended six courses to be classified as writing intensive. These courses are EDUC421, NURS405, SOCL301, CPEN371, CPEN499, and PSCE499.
  2. Senator Weiss noted that the original charge of the GEC was to run for three years. This May the committee will cease to exist if the committee is not reappointed.
  3. Senator Weiss reported that GEC has recommended that this committee not be reappointed and the charge of the GEC be folded into the University Curriculum Committee.
- C. President Siochi reported on the activity of the University Curriculum Committee. The Faculty Senate will vote on several of the UCC recommendations.
  1. The UCC has requested that oversight be addressed. The UCC recommends PHIL 383 be added to general education degree studies requirement section of the catalogue and that this recommendation be forwarded to the Provost to reflect such approval by the UCC on September 29, 1999. This recommendation will apply retroactively to all students who have completed PHIL 383.
  2. The Five-year Masters program in Psychology was approved by the UCC.
  3. Film Studies Minor was approved.
  4. Approval of new courses THEA351 Technical Theater II, THEA338 Combat & sword play, and THEA250L Backstage Practicum. Additionally, the theater curriculum changes were approved.
  5. Several courses renumbered were approved to better fit their level. EDUC518 to EDUC418, PHYS304 to PHYS404, ENGR122 to ENGR222.
  6. Approval of HONR220L added to the President's Leadership program curriculum was approved.
  7. Approved renumbering of BUSN331 to BUSN231 and BUSN301 to BUSN201. Approval of reinstating ECON465. The UCC took no action on

the prerequisites for BUSN231 and BUSN201.

Senator Broschious arrived at 3:50pm

- D. Senator Winder reported on the procedures for amending the Constitution of the Faculty Senate to accommodate the change in university structure. Department Chairs will be responsible for getting Faculty to vote for the proposed amendment. Voting will be the week of March 25. If the amendment passes then the Deans will call meetings to vote for new senators.

The amendment to the Constitution of the Faculty Senate is

**The Faculty Senate shall consist of fifteen members from four academic areas of the university: The School of Business (Accounting, Management and Marketing, and Economics and Finance); Liberal Arts (Communications Studies, English, Fine and Performing Arts, Modern and Classical Languages, Philosophy and Religious Studies and Library Science); Science and Technology (Biology, Chemistry, and Environmental Science, Mathematics, Nursing, Physics, Computer Science & Engineering); Social Science and Professional Studies (Education, Government and Public Affairs, History, Psychology, Recreation, Sociology and Social Work). Membership shall consist of three at-large members from the area of business and four at-large members from the areas of liberal arts, science and technology, and social sciences and professional studies. Members shall be nominated and elected by the faculty of their respective academic areas. All full-time instructional faculty are eligible to vote for Senate members. No department shall have more than two members elected to the Senate. At least two of the three senators for business and three of the four senators for each of the other areas must be tenured members of the faculty.**

Senator Keeling arrived at 4:05pm

V. Old Business NONE

VI. New Business.

- A. Senator Wymer moved:

**Faculty Senate Resolution SR2002-07**

**The Faculty Senate accepts the General Education Committee recommendation to approve EDUC421, NURS405, SOCL301, CPEN371, CPEN499, and PSCE499 as writing intensive courses.**

Motion seconded by Senator Schell.

**Motion passes unanimously.**

- B. Senator Mazarella moved:

**Faculty Senate Resolution SR2002-08**

**The Faculty Senate accepts the General Education Committee (GEC) recommendation to move and consolidate the responsibilities of the GEC to the University Curriculum Committee.**

Motion seconded Senator Wymer.

**Motion passes unanimously.**

Senator Underwood arrived 4:30pm

C. Senator Schell moved:

**Faculty Senate Resolution SR2002-09**

**The Faculty Senate accepts the recommendations from the University Curriculum Committee (UCC) regarding PHIL383, approval of the Five-year Masters program in Psychology, approval of the Film Studies Minor, approval of new Theater courses and corresponding changes to the theater curriculum, renumbering of several courses, addition of a course to the President's Leadership Program.**

Motion seconded by Senator Mazzarella.

**Motion passes unanimously.**

Senator Kidd leaves at 4:45pm

D. Senator Weiss moved:

**Senate Resolution 2002-10**

**The Faculty Senate accepts the recommendation from the University Curriculum Committee (UCC) approving the reinstatement of ECON465. The Faculty Senate approves the renumbering BUSN301 to BUSN201 and BUSN331 to BUSN231 and accepts the recommendation of the faculty of the School of Business for prerequisites for these courses as recommended by the School of Business Curriculum Committee.**

Motion seconded by Senator Mazzarella.

**Motion passes unanimously.**

VII. Other Business.

A. Senator Underwood moved:

**The Faculty Senate accepts the recommendation of the Deans for Emeriti status for:**

**Professor John Richard Guthrie**

**Professor Elizabeth Frances Jones**

**Assistant Professor David Wesley King**

**Professor James Matthew Morris**

**Associate Professor Lawrence Barron Wood.**

Motion seconded by Senator Bradie.

**Motion passes unanimously.**

B. Senator Mazzarella moved to email the Faculty Senate minutes to the faculty.

Motion seconded by Senator Weiss.

**Motion passes unanimously.**

VIII. Adjournment

Senator Keeling moved for adjournment, Senator Broschious seconded. Meeting adjourned at 5:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Timothy R. Marshall  
Faculty Senate Secretary