# Minutes of the Faculty Senate Work Session Friday, March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2003 SC 214, 3:30 p.m.

Members present: Senators Doyle, Game, Keeling, Kidd, Marshall, Purtle, Schell, Siochi, Underwood, Weiss, Wheeler, and Winder

Members absent: Senators Bradie, Cartwright and Gray

I. Faculty Senate President Tim Marshall called the meeting to order at 3: 35 p.m.

# II. President's Report

- A. President Marshall reminded the senators that advising will begin next week. The last day to withdraw is March 24th. President Marshall may email the students to let them know of the new deadline.
- B. Minority student visit day is tomorrow.
- C. President Trible will be out of town on March 17th, so the full Senate will meet with President Trible in the Brauer Room at 10:00 a.m. on Monday March 24th. Town meetings are scheduled for April 24th and March 31st.
- D. Next week is the special meeting of the instructional faculty. The only item on the agenda is Ron Mollick's resolution. The meeting will be Tuesday at 4 p.m. in Gaines theatre.
- E. Paideia submissions are due March 28th.
- F. There are summer stipends available for both CLAS and SOB.
- G. Board of Visitors meetings are scheduled for 4/24 and 6/26.
- H. At the next Faculty Senate meeting we will have a recommendation from the UAC concerning the part time student policy. We will likely also see a recommendation for the MAT program at our next meeting.
- I. Senator Kidd just returned from London where he took 17 students. President Marshall commended Senator Kidd for an excellent job mentoring these students. Dr. Cartwright is at the Eastern Psychological Meetings with 47 students in the Psychology department. It is the main regional meeting for the East Coast. CNU presented more papers than any other University except Rutgers University did.

## III. Old Business

- A. We will get a recommendation from Dean Gordon to not pass forward the recommendation for Dr. Cones's promotion for Distinguished Professor before we establish criteria. President Marshall passed out criteria from older versions of the Handbook along with criteria from other universities. President Marshall suggested that we form an ad hoc committee to work on the criteria. Senator Wheeler volunteered to serve and President Marshall will appoint others. The discussion with Dean Gordon seemed to imply that there was no concern about Dr. Cones's qualifications, there just need to be criteria before we pass forward a recommendation.
- B. The Senate discussed the recommendations for changes to the Handbook.

- Formation of the Leadership Council: Senator Weiss moved to accept the recommendation. Senator Doyle seconded the motion. In discussion the question was raised as to whether student members vote. The answer is yes. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2. Change to include writing intensive on page 35: Senator Purtle moved to accept the recommendation. Senator Weiss seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Changes in probationary appointments: Senator Underwood moved to accept the recommendation. Senator Doyle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Change to add Distinguished Professors to instructional faculty and to remove the departments of Nursing, Education and RSWM: Senator Doyle moved to accept the recommendation. Senator Kidd seconded the motion. Senators Doyle, Keeling, Kidd, Purtle, Schell, Siochi, Underwood, Weiss, Wheeler, and Winder voted to approve. Senator Game abstained. The motion passed.
- 5. Change to increase amount of time for Faculty filing a grievance from 10 days to 20 days: Senator Kidd moved to accept the change. Senator Keeling seconded the motion. In discussion Senators questioned the meaning of "working days". Does that count Christmas break etc.? A change to 30 calendar days serves the intent, but is very clear. Senator Weiss explained that working days is defined in the entry. The definition should be moved up or put in both sections. Senator Schell moved to move the sentence describing working days to paragraph A. Senator Weiss seconded the motion. The question was called on the amendment. The amendment passed unanimously. Senator Kidd moved the motion as a whole. Schell seconded. The motion as amended passed unanimously.
- 6. Changes to clarify positions and correct misspellings: Senator Underwood moved to approve the recommendation. Senator Doyle seconded the motion. There is a problem in that the passed amendment to the leadership council cites the director of the PLP, and in this section, the position is eliminated. Senator Kidd moved to reconsider change # 1. Senator Weiss seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Senator Weiss moved, as a friendly amendment to Senator Kidd's motion, to strike 'Director' and replace with 'Associate Provost' in change #1. Senator Kidd accepted the amendment. The motion passed unanimously. The question was called on change 6. Senators Doyle, Game, Keeling, Kidd, Purtle, Schell, Siochi, Underwood, Weiss and Wheeler voted to approve. Senator Winder abstained. The motion passed.
- 7. Changes in the honor system: Senator Weiss moved to strike 'and Director'. Senator Kidd seconded the motion to amend. The motion passed unanimously. On the motion as a whole, Senator Siochi asked about having a faculty member from computer science or computer engineering on cases dealing with

- computer violations. It was decided that the passage should stand as is. The Faculty Senate noted the need to double check for typos. Senator Keeling moved to accept the recommendation as amended. Senator Doyle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 8. Changes beginning on p. 74 to move items from University Handbook to Student Handbook: There are changes in the Sexual Harassment section. There was a section added on Informal Resolution. There was concern about the vagueness of "member of the University community". Who is included? Students, janitors? President Marshall observed that this material is in the Handbook, only the underlined portion is new. The contested part is not a change and thus not currently under review. Under Sexual Misconduct, the word misconduct has been left out of the fourth line. Senator Keeling moved to accept the recommendation. Senator Kidd seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Changes in University advancement: Senator Doyle moved to accept the recommendation. Senator Weiss seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 10. Change to reorganize Board of Visitors committees and to bring back committee on development. Senator Weiss moved to accept the recommendation. Senator Doyle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 11. Changes to the Budget Advisory Committee entry: Senator Doyle moved to accept the recommendation. Senator Weiss seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 12. Change to add word members and to replace a missing sentence in Section XVII. B.: Senator Underwood moved to accept the recommendation. Senator Doyle seconded them motion. Senators Doyle, Keeling, Kidd, Purtle, Schell, Siochi, Underwood, Weiss, Wheeler, and Winder voted to approve. Senator Game abstained. The motion passed.
- 13. The Formation of the Undergraduate and Graduate Research Council: Senator Weiss moved to accept the recommendation. Keeling seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 14. Changes to Section IX 2: There were additions to the section on phone interviews. Senator Doyle moved to approve the recommendation. Senator Kidd seconded the motion. Discussion: Do we need to limit ourselves to two on-campus candidates? Senator Underwood moved to strike the word 'two' from that section. Senator Siochi seconded the motion to amend. Senator Underwood withdrew her motion. Senator Wheeler moved to table change #14 in order to discuss our concerns with Michelle Moody. Senator Keeling seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Senator Wheeler will write up questions and circulate them. They will be sent to Ms. Moody and she will be asked to speak at a future meeting.
- 15. Senator Siochi suggested that we ask the Handbook committee to standardize the manner of indicating changes or the matters

won't be considered. President Marshall will discuss this matter with them.

### IV. New Business

- A. The Senate considered recommended changes to the elections process. Senator Weiss explained the proposed changes. We have gotten out of sequence for having half of the senators elected in even years and half in odd years. This problem is most pronounced in Science and Technology. The recommendation is to designate 2 seats this Spring in Science & Technology as 1-year seats, the other 2 would stay the same. Those elected for 1 year could be elected for another 2. This would keep us on track. The persons up for reelection could pursue the two-year terms. In Social Science & Professional Studies, 1 seat will be for 2 years and 1 seat will be 1 year. In Liberal Arts, 1 position in 2004 will be 1 year. Senator Weiss moved to make these changes in 2003 and 2004. Senator Keeling seconded the motion. Discussion: Can we do this if it violated the constitution? We are already in violation, this is a motion to get into compliance. Senators Dovle. Game Keeling, Kidd, Schell, Siochi. Underwood, Weiss, Wheeler, and Winder voted to approve. Senator Purtle abstained. The motion passed.
- B. The Senate discussed a petition from students in RSWM to be allowed to walk at graduation (25 students) prior to completing graduation requirements so they can walk while their professors are still here. Discussion: This seems reasonable given the exceptional circumstances. Senator Underwood asked "What about other students who want an exception?" Senator Kidd replied that other students can be told that this is an exception only for those in dissolving departments. Other questions included: What about Nursing and Education? There is no need for Nursing to have this exemption because the faculty will be here next year. What about students in Education? The Education students have a major that is not Education. Yes, but they have close connections to their Education faculty. Is Education essentially a second major? We may want to err on the side of compassion given all the emotional turmoil that the University community has been through this year. It will also bode well in the court of public opinion. This will be a salve for both the students and faculty in the affected departments. It needs to be made clear that this is a one-time exception for students in the closing departments. Senator Keeling moved that students in RSWM major and the Education programs who are scheduled to complete their on-campus coursework by the end of Summer 2003 terms and are scheduled to finish any required off-campus internship by the end of Fall 2003 will be allowed to walk in the May 2003 graduation. Such walking does not oblige CNU to confer a degree upon them until they have completed all requirements for graduation. Senator Doyle seconded the motion. Discussion: How many hours will be allowed to be pending? How does it hurt us to let them walk? The motion passed unanimously.

### V. Other Issues

A. Emeritus status recommendations from CLAS were considered. They were forwarded to the Senate by Dean Gordon, who suggested that we put all in Whereas format before forwarding them to the Provost. Why not

send them back and have the departments fix them? Senator Keeling moved to vote on each recommendation separately. Senator Wheeler seconded the motion, Senator Game opposed, and Senator Schell abstained. Senators Doyle, Keeling, Kidd, Purtle, Siochi, Underwood, Weiss, Wheeler, and Winder voted to approve. The motion passed. There is a great deal of information missing. All of the candidates meet the criteria for Emeritus status. We will vote on these given that they will be rewritten in appropriate form.

- Concerning the recommendation of Dr. John Anderson: Senator Weiss moved to approve the recommendation and Senator Doyle seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Concerning the recommendation of Dr. Clyde Brockett: Senator Weiss moved to approve the recommendation and Senator Underwood seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Concerning the recommendation of Dr. Ken Chang: Senator Weiss moved to approve the recommendation and Senator Doyle seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Concerning the recommendation of Dr. Jane Webb: Senator Weiss moved to approve the recommendation and Siochi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Concerning the recommendation of Dr. Lora Friedman: Senators Doyle, Game, Kidd, Purtle, Schell, Siochi, Underwood, Weiss, and Winder voted to approve. Senator Wheeler abstained and Senator Keeling voted to oppose the motion. The motion passed
- Concerning the recommendations of Dr.s Sandra Bryan, Robert Cummings and Mary Lou Royall: Senator Underwood moved to approve these and ask that they be rewritten in appropriate form. Siochi seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- B. The Senate looked over the numbers on Freshmen GPA's so that the Senate can

consider what threshold to recommend for Freshmen of the class of 2007 being allowed to bring cars on campus during their second semester. Senator Kidd moved that the standard be set at 2.4. Purtle seconded the motion. Senators Siochi, Winder, Schell and Underwood voted to oppose the motion. Senators Game, Wheeler, Kidd, Keeling, Doyle, Purtle, Weiss voted to approve the motion. The motion passed.

Senator Kidd was asked to step out.

C. The Senate discussed the nomination of Dr. Quentin Kidd for SCHEV outstanding faculty award that was forwarded to the Senate from Dean Gordon. All we were sent was a vita. That isn't enough to go to Richmond. This is for next year. Senator Underwood moved to table the motion pending the delivery of more information. Senator Keeling seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Senator Doyle moved to adjourn. Senator Siochi seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted,

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