

**WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY  
FACULTY SENATE  
Regular Meeting, 6 March 2018, 4:00 p.m.  
Capitol Rooms - University Union**

**ACTION MINUTES**

**SENATORS PRESENT:** M. Allison, B. Bellott, V. Boynton, S. Czechowski, Franken, R. Hironimus, Wendt, A. Hyde (via teleconference), N. Lino, B. Locke, S. Macchi, McClivaine, Newsad, K. Pawelko, B. Perabo, J. Plos, R. Porter (via teleconference), S. Rahr, Roberts, S. Roç, M. Sajewski, D. Sandage, F. Tasdan  
Ex-officio: Kathy Neumann, Interim Provost; Tej Kaul, Parliamentarian

**SENATORS ABSENT:** S. Saddler, C. Tarrant

**GUESTS:** Samir Almhiemid, Lori Baker, Sperry, Justin Brown, Katrina Daytner, Dennis DeVold, Amanda Divin, Nicholas Ebelhack, Christopher Ginn, Wil Grady, Rome Hamm, Anita Hardeman, Jim LaPrad, Angela Lynn, Madison Lynn, Colton Markey, Sue Martinez, Fernandez, Marty Maskarinec, Jim McQuillan, Susan Meiers, Kristi Mindrup (via teleconference), Seth Miner, Jill Myers, Russ Molgare, Grette Oden, Nancy Parsons, Grant Reed, Amanda Silberstein, William Tracy

I. Consideration of Minutes

A. February 20, 2018

**MINUTES APPROVED AS DISTRIBUTED**

Senator Hironimus

- b. Requests for Changes in Options
  - i. History
  - ii. History – Teacher Education
- c. Request for WID Designation
  - i. HIST 492, Capstone Seminar in Public History, 3 s.h.

B. Provost's Report

- The Graduate Research Conference was held last Friday, coinciding with the recognition of WIU's 75<sup>th</sup> year for its School of Graduate Studies. Biological Sciences professor Andrea Porras Alfaro gave the keynote address on "Building a Successful Career through Mentoring and Networking," which Interim Provost Neumann reported was well received.
- The spring Career and Internship Fair was held today in the University Union.
- Dietetics, Fashion Merchandising, and Hospitality's Food and Culture Club will host an event on the Philippines on Thursday, March 8 from 8:30-10:30 in the University Union.
- Spring break is next week. Shortly afterward, the annual reports and budgetary presentations by deans, directors, and vice presidents will begin.
- The spring Board of Trustees meeting will be held March 23.

Senator Bellot asked if the results of the University Diversity Council's campus climate survey will be reported to the entire campus or just to the administration. Interim Provost Neumann responded that she does not know but will check.

C. Student Government Association Report

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4. Senator Bellott announced that Nikki Walker, a student that he mentors, was chosen to present the results of her summer research at the national Pittsburgh Conference on Analytical Chemistry and Applied Spectroscopy in Orlando. Chairperson Rock observed that some senators attended the President's recent Town Hall meeting, which was intended to discuss what is good about WIU, and it was pointed out that the University does not highlight the accomplishments of its faculty and students as much as it should. He noted that Faculty Senate Announcements provides a good forum for those types of things.
5. Senator Perabo announced that last week she attended the College of Arts and Sciences student presentation series, featuring five students from a variety of disciplines, from math and science to anthropology. The demonstrations and talks were spectacular and she was really impressed.

### III. Reports of Committees and Councils

#### A. Council on Curricular Programs and Instruction (CCPI)

One additional volunteer is needed to complete the membership of the committee since no one volunteered at today's meeting. Chairperson Rock told the four existing volunteers that they can begin meeting.

V. New Business

A. Proposed Constitutional Amendment to Adjust the Size of the Senate

Chairperson Rock asked to table this agenda item because he does not think it is ready for the Senate to act upon. He explained that a statistician has made some suggestions to strengthen the proposal, and Senator Tasdan would also like to provide some input.

**Motion:** To table first reading of the proposed Constitutional amendment (Roberts/Franken)

**MOTION TO TABLE APPROVED 20 YES – 0 NO – 0 AB**

**Motion:** To adjourn Roberts

The Faculty Senate adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Susan Czechowski, Faculty Senate Secretary

Annette Hamm, Faculty Senate Recording Secretary