

**Faculty Senate Meeting
November 4, 2005**

- Call to Order:** Nancy Whitt, Chair of the Faculty Senate called the meeting to order.
- Invocation:** The invocation was led by **Doug Clapp**.
- Approval of Minutes:** **Nancy Whitt** asked if there were any changes to old minutes. None were suggested, so this was an affirmation of the old minutes.
- Administration Report:** **Mark Bateman** reported on the proposed new academic integrity violation process.

Mark handed out a diagram explaining the proposed new process. After explaining the diagram in detail, Mark opened the floor for questions. Here is a summary of the questions and answers:

David Bains asked what happens if you land inside the red box (in reference to the red boxes on the diagram handout). Mark answered that once the process goes to the Values council, the process stays with the values council.

Jennings Marshall asked what is the maximum sanction [that a faculty member can assign]? Jennings also added that he understood the only sanction that is supposed to be assigned is to give an "F". **Don Sandley** responded that in practice this has not been handled that way. The faculty member does not have to act upon [the values council recommendation]. **David Bains** followed this up by asking if there was any greater sanction that a faculty member can assign besides assigning a failing grade for the course. **Mark Bateman** responded that the faculty member can't do anything extra, but student life may decide to do more. **Nancy Whit** commented that the "X" grade goes on record.

Jennings Marshall then raised the issue that the same system was produced in the past (about 10 years ago). In that system proposed 10 years ago, students had the right to bring an advocate with them to sit in on the sanction meeting. When it became apparent that 80% faculty were not reporting to values council, we were told that a faculty member would be liable [for lawsuits] if the violation had not been reported to values council. This led to the adoption [of the values-council only process].

Robin Snyder inquired about the process for adopting the new procedure. **Mark Bateman** responded that the academic affairs committee had seen the new proposal already. **Jennings Marshall** indicated that the proposal comes to us as a motion from the academic affairs committee, so **Nancy** called for a vote. The motion was approved by oral vote.

Committee Reports:

Academic Affairs: (Janie Kennedy)
No report.

Ad Hoc Committee on Academic Freedom: (Mark Baggett)
No report.

Athletics: (Ralph Gold)

No report.

Business Affairs: (Les Ennis)

No official report, but when it came time to discuss the committee report from business affairs, **Jennings Marshall** expressed concern over parking fees. **Don Sandley** made a motion to send disapproval of the proposed parking plan that includes parking fees for faculty to the business affairs / faculty welfare committee. **Paul Blanchard** seconded Don's motion. The motion was approved by oral vote.

Curriculum: (Kathryn Fouse)

Kathryn Fouse reported for this committee. She indicated that a new form for simple course changes had been posted to the website as a Word document. The Word document has drop-down boxes and edit boxes that can be filled out using Microsoft Word. She urged the faculty to please fill in the form using Microsoft Word rather than retyping the whole document or printing and filling in the document by hand.

Diversity: (Andy Webster)

Andy Webster brought forth two motions to be voted on by the faculty senate. Prior to voting, **Andy** gave a brief history of the diversity statement:

1. The first draft was completed last year
2. It was reviewed over the summer
3. A revised draft was presented at the first Fall [full faculty] meeting.
4. More comments were received [followed by more revisions]
5. Now, I am here to request approval of the statement

Jennifer Beale added that some comments received from the Pharmacy school included "more Christian emphasis" and "diversity statements matter"

Nancy Whitt called for a vote on the first motion, which was for the faculty senate to adopt the diversity statement. **Nancy** commented that if the full senate doesn't agree, then the faculty senate's vote can be overridden. **Paul Blanchard** moved for adoption of the first motion. **Don Sandley** seconded. The motion was then approved by an oral vote.

Andy Webster then brought forth the second motion, which was to approve posting of the diversity statement to the faculty senate web page. **Robyn Snyder** motioned for approval. **Paul Blanchard** seconded. The motion was then approved by an oral vote.

Elections: (Tina Duffey)

No report.

Student Affairs: (David Shipley)

No report.

Learning Resources: (Larry Harper)

No report.

Writing: (Charlotte Brammer)
No report.

Old Business

None.

New Business

None.

Adjournment: Nancy Whitt adjourned the meeting.