State University of West Georgia  
Faculty Senate Minutes  
December 17, 2004  
Approved February 25, 2005

Date: December 17, 2004

I. Call to Order: The meeting was convened in room 1-301 of the Technology-Enhanced Learning Center. In the absence of President Sethna, Vice President Hynes presided and called the meeting to order at 3.04 pm.

II. Role Call: Aldrich, Best, Bush, Cao, Caress, Clark, Dole, Elman, Fraser (for McComb), Frazier, Gainey, Hendricks, Morris, Overfield, Putney, Reber, Reigner, Rickard (for Webb), Smith, S., Stafford, Turner, Wilson, Yoder.

Not in Attendance: Doheny, Halsall, Payne, Purk, Ray.

III. Minutes:
A motion to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2004 meeting of the Faculty Senate was made by Skip Clark, seconded by Shelly Elman and passed unanimously.

IV. Committee Reports

Committee I: Undergraduate Academic Programs Committee (Doug Turner, chair)

Action Items:
On behalf of the committee Dr. Turner moved to approve the following program changes as a group. After brief discussion all program changes were approved unanimously.

A. College of Arts and Sciences
   1) Anthropology
      a. ANTH 2003 – Add course.
      b. ANTH 3250 – Add course.
      c. ANTH 4165 – Add course.
   2) History
      a. HIST 4417 – Add course.
      b. HIST 4441 – Add course.
   3) Philosophy
      a. Modify program requirements for minor in religion and philosophy.
      b. Modify program requirements for major in philosophy.
      c. Modify program pre law track.
   4) Political Science/Planning
      a. POLS 3402 – Add course.
b. POLS 3701 – Cross and add course PLAN 3701.
c. POLS 4213 – Add course.
d. POLS 4405 – Add course.
e. POLS 4504 – Add course.
f. PLAN 3702 – Cross list and add course POLS 3702.
g. PLAN 3704 – Cross list and add course POLS 3704.
h. PLAN 4701 – Cross list and add course POLS 4701.
i. PLAN 4704 – Cross list and add course POLS 4704.
j. PLAN 4705 – Cross list and add course POLS 4705.

5) Psychology
   a. PSYC 3760 – Add course.

6) Sociology and Criminology
   a. SOCI 4300 – Add course.

B. Richards College of Business
   1) Policy change of major status.

Information Items:
Dr. Turner also introduced the following minor course changes as information items.

A. College of Arts and Sciences
   1) Art
      a. ART 4505 – Modify description.
   2) History
      a. HIST 3324 – Delete course.
   3) Mathematics
      a. MATH 1112 – Modify prerequisites.
      b. MATH 1413 – Modify prerequisites.
      c. MATH 1634 – Modify prerequisites.
      d. MATH 2063 – Modify prerequisites.
      e. MATH 2644 – Modify prerequisites.
      f. MATH 2654 – Modify prerequisites.
      g. MATH 3003 – Modify prerequisites.
      h. MATH 3303 – Modify prerequisites.
      i. MATH 4013 – Modify prerequisites.
      j. MATH 4153 – Modify prerequisites.
   4) Philosophy
      a. PHIL 2130 – Modify description.
      b. PHIL 3100 – Modify prerequisites.
      c. PHIL 3110 – Modify description.
      d. PHIL 3120 – Modify prerequisites.
      e. PHIL 3160 – Modify description.
      f. PHIL 3170 – Modify prerequisites.
      g. PHIL 3205 – Modify description.
h. PHIL 3240 – Modify description.
i. PHIL 3301 – Modify prerequisites.
j. PHIL 4100 – Modify description.
k. PHIL 4110 – Modify title and description.
l. PHIL 4115 – Modify description.
m. PHIL 4120 – Modify description.
n. PHIL 4130 – Modify prerequisites.
o. PHIL 4150 – Modify prerequisites.
p. PHIL 4160 – Modify prerequisites.
q. PHIL 4220 – Modify description.
r. PHIL 4230 – Modify description and prerequisites.
s. PHIL 4240 – Modify prerequisites.
t. PHIL 4300 – Modify description
u. PHIL 4381 – Modify prerequisites.
v. PHIL 4385 – Modify prerequisites.

B. Richards College of Business
   1) Marketing and Real Estate
      a. MKTG 3804 – Modify description and prerequisites.

   2) Economics
      a. ECON 3410 – Modify prerequisites.
      b. ECON 3411 – Modify description and title.
      c. ECON 4430 – Delete course.

Dr. Clark asked about the many changes in the Philosophy program. Dr. Alberg, the new chair of Philosophy, explained that changes were being made to provide three different degree tracks within the Philosophy major.

Committee V: Student Life Committee (Shelly Elman, chair)

Information Item: Ms. Elman explained the updating of the form for the nomination of candidates for “Who’s Who of American Students”.

Committee VI: University Matters

Ms. Rickard outlined the series of steps through which open parking was approved during final exam week at the end of Fall semester. The committee approved the experiment as a gesture of goodwill but Ms. Rickard and Chief Mackel acknowledged that they had received mainly negative response from faculty and staff (approximately 2/3 unfavorable). Some special concerns were:

1. Most faculty/staff parking spaces were occupied continuously by dorm residents so that parking availability was not improved.
2. Increased traffic in search of parking on Back Campus drive created a safety hazard for pedestrians and raised noise levels in classrooms.
Dr. Hynes requested a survey of student response and suggested the senate revisit this issue at the March meeting before deciding on open parking at the end of Spring semester.

Committee XI: Technology Planning (Stan Caress, chair)

Dr. Caress drew attention to two draft documents circulated during the November 17 meeting of the senate. On behalf of the committee he moved to accept the “Acceptable Use Policy” as described in the first of these documents. The document outlines policy to protect university computers and networks from inappropriate use that may expose the community to virus attacks, compromise the network system and services or raise legal issues. The policy was requested by the Board of Regents.

There was a short discussion of student reaction to the new policy and the penalties for violations; also on policies dealing with Spam and Spyware. Dr. Caress responded that issues concerning security were still under consideration and would be addressed later in the second document on “Security Policy”. In particular the use of Social Security numbers was a concern. The motion passed unanimously.

Committee IX, Graduate Studies (Dr. Jack Jenkins, chair)

Action Items:

On behalf of the committee Dr. Jenkins moved the following programmatic changes.

Action Items:

A. College of Education
   1) Media and Instructional Technology
      a. Modify Program

B. College of Arts and Sciences
   1) Sociology and Criminology
      a. Delete Gerontology Program

Both changes were approved unanimously.

Information Items:

Dr. Jenkins introduced the approved minutes of COGS for October 15, 2004 together with the following course changes.

College of Arts and Sciences

Foreign Languages
Delete
V. Announcements

Dr. Hynes expressed his appreciation to the senators for their attendance so late in the semester and wished everyone a joyous Christmas.

Adjournment

There being no further business the meeting adjourned at 3.35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by Tim Chowns for Swarna (Basu) Dutt, Executive Secretary