Faculty Senate
Meeting Minutes
January 27, 2017
Approved February 24, 2017

1. Call to order
   A) Dr. Farmer called the Faculty Senate meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. Roll call
   Present:
   Absent:
   Boldt, Fujita, Lee, McCullers, Mindrila, Pencoe, Self, Smallwood, and Williams

3. Minutes
   B) Approval of Minutes from December 9, 2016
   Minutes were approved unanimously

4. Committee Reports

Committee II: Undergraduate Programs Committee (Cale Self, Chair)

Action Items:

A) College of Arts and Humanities
   1) Music Department
      a) Bachelor of Music with a Major in Music with concentrations in Composition, Music Education, and Performance
      Request: Add
      Item was approved unanimously

B) College of Education
   1) Communication Sciences and Professional Counseling Department
a) Bachelor of Science in Education with a Major in Speech-Language Pathology
   Request: Modify
   
   Item was approved unanimously

C) College of Science and Mathematics
   1) Chemistry Department
      a) Bachelor of Science with a Major in Chemistry (ACS Track, Applied Chemistry Option)
         Request: Modify
         
         Item was approved unanimously

   2) Computer Science Department
      a) Bachelor of Science with a Major in Computer Science
         Request: Modify
         
         Item was tabled.

D) College of Social Sciences
   1) Sociology Department
      a) Bachelor of Science with a Major in Social and Behavioral Health
         Request: Add
         
         Item was approved unanimously

Information Items:

A) College of Arts and Humanities
   1) Music Department
      a) Bachelor of Music with a Major in Music Education
         Request: Deactivate

      b) Bachelor of Music with a Major in Composition
         Request: Deactivate

      c) Bachelor of Music with a Major in Performance
         Request: Deactivate

B) College of Science and Mathematics
   1) Geosciences Department
      a) Bachelor of Science with a Major in Earth Science/Secondary Education
         Request: Terminate
b) Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Geography
   Request: Terminate

c) Bachelor of Science with a Major in Environmental Studies
   Request: Terminate

2) Chemistry Department
   a) Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Chemistry/Secondary Education
      Request: Terminate
   b) Bachelor of Arts with a Major in Chemistry
      Request: Terminate
   c) Bachelor of Science with a Major in Environmental Science
      Request: Terminate

Committee III: Graduate Programs Committee (Matt Varga, Chair)

Action Items:

A) College of Education
   1) Early Childhood through Secondary Education
      a) ECSE 7274 Introduction to Community-Based STEM Education
         Request: Add
         *Item was approved unanimously*
      b) ECSE 7275 STEM Mathematics for Social Justice
         Request: Add
         *Item was approved unanimously*
      c) ECSE 7276 STEM Investigations through Ecojustice
         Request: Add
         *Item was approved unanimously*
      d) ECSE 7277 Designing Community-Based STEM Education
         Request: Add
         *Item was approved unanimously*
      e) SEED 6265 Instructional Strategies for Business Education in Secondary Schools
         Request: Add
         *Item was approved unanimously*
f) ECSE 7500 Diverse Classrooms in a Global Society
Request: Add

*Item was approved unanimously*

g) ECSE 7560 Contemporary Issues in Education
Request: Add

*Item was approved unanimously*

h) ECSE 7564 Content Area Literacy Instruction
Request: Add

*Item was approved unanimously*

i) ECSE 7566 Advanced Instructional Strategies for the 21st Century Classroom
Request: Add

*Item was approved unanimously*

j) ECSE 8562 Using Data to Meet the Needs of Diverse Learners
Request: Add

*Item was approved unanimously*

k) Master of Education with a Major in Early Childhood Education
Request: Modify

*Item was approved unanimously*

l) Master of Arts in Teaching with a Major in Teacher Education
Request: Modify

*Item was approved unanimously*

m) Specialist in Education with a Major in Early Childhood Education
Request: Modify

*Item was approved unanimously*

B) College of Arts and Humanities

1) Music Department

   a) Master of Music
   Request: Add

*Item was approved unanimously*

**Information Items:**

A) College of Arts and Humanities
1) Music Department
   a) Master of Music with a Major in Music Education
      Request: Deactivate
   b) Master of Music with a Major in Performance
      Request: Deactivate

Committee XII: Budget Committee (Brad Yates, Chair)

Action Item:

A) Proposal on Post-Tenure Review Incentive Program for Associate and Full Professors:
   A one-time $2,000 strategic allocation will be made to respective departments and earmarked for each associate and full professor who earns a stellar post-tenure review in FY17, effective July 1, 2017, not retroactive. The allocation must be spent in the fiscal year (FY18) it is funded and follow all E&G (Educational and General) guidelines and lapsable fund policies. Additionally, the request beyond this implementation is that through the Faculty Senate governance process a review of PTR processes will begin over the next academic year.

Request: Approve

Item was approved unanimously

5. Old Business

6. New Business

7. Announcements
   A) Dr. Farmer called for nominations for positions of Chair-Elect and Parliamentarian.
      Please send nominations or questions to her at jfarmer@westga.edu
   B) Dr. Jenks announced that the Provost's office and Advising Center will conduct campus training sessions related to the Education Advisory Board's Student Success Collaborative Campus (EAB SSC) for all Faculty, Deans, Department Chairs, Coordinators, and Program Directors. While attendance is not compulsory, it is strongly suggested for all to attend with their program group. The invitation has been sent, and after Chairs and Deans coordinate their groups, faculty will be invited to a session that introduces the Institutional Reports section of their program.

8. Adjournment
A) Dr. Farmer adjourned the meeting at 3:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Dr. Angela Insenga
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Secretary for the General Faculty and Faculty Senate