# **University of West Georgia Faculty Senate Meeting**

## **February 19, 2010 Approved March 12, 2010**

#### Minutes

**1.** Call to Order The meeting was convened in room 1-303 of the Technology-enhanced Learning Center and called to order at 3:04 p.m. by Chair pro-tem Chris Huff.

#### 2. Roll Call:

Present: Anderson, Austin, Baumstark, Baylen, Chowns, Cook, Crean, Defoor, Donohoe, Elman, Epps, Hancock, Hodges, Huff, Kang, Luken, McCord, Mbaye, Morris (substituting for Packard), Ogletree, Rollins, Shook, Snipes.

Absent: Ashford, Boldt, Hasbun, Hatfield, Hazari, Hooper, Payne.

**3. Approval of Minutes**. The minutes of the January 22, 2010 meeting of the Faculty Senate were approved by voice vote.

#### 4. Committee Reports

#### **Committee I: Undergraduate Academic Programs (Shelly Elman, Chair)**

Action Items A.1.a and b were presented to the Senate. It proposed the following changes from the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, which were approved on a voice vote.

- 1.a) modify program: BS Ed MGED Language Arts/Social Science Concentration
- 1.b) modify program: BS Ed MGED Math/Science Concentraation

Action Items A.1.c,d,e, and f were presented to the Senate. It proposed the following changes from the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, which were approved on a voice vote.

1.c) add Birth Through Five Endorsement

1.d) add course: BRFV 4210 1.e) add course: BRFV 4220 1.f) add course: BRFV 4230

#### Committee IX: Graduate Studies (Skip Clark, Chair)

Action Item A.1 was presented to the Senate. It included deleting the following changes from the Department of Counseling and Educational Psychology which were approved on a voice vote.

a) add course: CEPD 7155b) add course: CEPD 8171c) add coruse: CEPD 8189d) add course: CEPD 8194

Action Item A.2 was presented to the Senate. It included deleting the following changes from the Department of Educational Leadership and Professional Studies, which were approved on a voice vote.

a) delete program in Teacher Support Services

b) delete course: EDLE 7313 c) delete course: EDLE 7386

Action Item B.1 was presented to the Senate. It included deleting the following change from the Department of Management, which was approved on a voice vote.

a) delete course: MGNT 5620

#### **Committee XI: Technology and Planning (Danilo Baylen, Chair)**

The following Action Item was presented to the Senate and was approved on a voice vote.

A. Final version of the IT Strategic Plan

#### **5. Old Business**

No old business was proposed.

#### 6. New Business

- A. Rollins presented the Senate with a summary of the work of the "Branding Committee" which is to develop a more specific and unique slogan for UWG than the current one. She asked that suggestions be sent to the committee, established by Vice President Ruffner.
- B. Huff presented the following items from the Senate's Executive Committee meeting:
  - 1. If the proposed by-laws changes are approved, Senators terms (and those of non-Senator committee members) will be staggered as needed to bring an equal number of vacancies due each year for each college.
  - 2. Nominees for Chair of the Senate will be considered at the next Senate meeting. This will be a two-year term, and eligibility requirements are that the person have served in the Senate at some time during the preceding three years, and be a tenured faculty member.

#### 7. Announcements

- A) President Sethna had the following two announcements:
  - 1. The following three aspects are crucial to further the vision of UWG as a destination university in the "robust tier" at UWG:
    - a. Quality academics
    - b. Social, cultural and athletic experiences
    - c. Facilities to match
  - 2. The budget situation in the state of Georgia is not improving, due to continuing decline in state revenues, so further reductions in funding is expected.

B) Huff announced that the Library renovations will begin soon, it will be a two-year process, the first year will be especially impactful, but the building will remain open and services will continue to be available.

### 8. Adjournment

Without objection the meeting was declared adjourned at 4:35 p.m.