

UNIVERSITY SENATE

Meeting Minutes

April 4, 2022

The University Senate was called to order at 3:30 p.m. on Monday April 4, 2022 in 111 Harrison Hall, Oxford Campus. Members absent: Kenya Ash, Durrell Callier, Eli Davies, Todd Edwards, Amanda Euen, Dawn Fahner, Jennifer Fox, Chip Hahn, Logan Harvey, Martin Johnson, Elizabeth Kelacy, Shashi Lalvani, Kevin Messner, William Modrow, Ryan Parker, Eric Rapos, Kevin Reuning, Tony Rose, Michelle Rosecrans, Vada Stephens, Harvey Thurmer, Scott Walter, Peng Wang, and Liz Wardle

Call to Order

1. The meeting was called to order at 3:30 with announcements by the Provost and Chair of Senate, Jason Osborne.
 - a. University Senate was welcomed back to in-person meetings after two years of being remote.
 - b. Elections for University Senate Executive Committee are expected to be held in two weeks. Any nominations, including self-nominations should be sent to current members of Executive Committee.

Approval of University Senate Minutes

2. Approval of Senate Minutes:
 - i. A motion was received and seconded to approve the March 28, 2022 University Senate Minutes. (Yes 40; No 0; Abstain 0)

Consent Calendar

3. The following items were accepted and received on the Consent Calendar:
 - a. 04.04.2022 Curricular Items
 - b. Academic Program Review Committee Meeting Minutes – 02.28.2022

Special Reports

4. Special Report Presentation:

Old Business

5. Old Business:
 - a. SR 22-21 Revisions to the Textbook Policy – Amy Bergerson, Associate Provost and Dean for Undergraduate Education SR 22-xx Transfer Credit Policy_rev
 - i. The revisions have been reviewed in Senate during a previous meeting. State mandated but still requires a vote. It was noted that additional language around auto-adoption was voted down at the last meeting.
 - ii. The policy revisions adjust the language to include a timeline and that the University would still be in compliance in the event that no staff is listed for the course.
 - iii. The reason for the policy covers more than just identifying cost points. It doesn't stipulate where students should purchase but allows them to know what they might expect to spend and time to receive any required accommodations.
 - iv. Exceptions can be made, i.e., book is no longer available, custom books released after the initial deadline, unavailability from publishers, etc.
 - v. Any additional questions should be directed to the Dean for Undergraduate Education.

- vi. The motion was received and seconded without discussion. The resolution passed. (Yes 37; No 1; Abstain 2)

SR 22-21
Revision to Textbook and Learning Materials Policy
April 4, 2022

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that University Senate endorse the proposed revisions to Textbook and Learning Materials Policy (see attached)

- b. SR 22-22 Proposed Revisions to the Enabling Act of University Senate & Faculty Assembly– Dana Cox, Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs
 - i. The motion was received and seconded without discussion. The resolution passed. (Yes 40; No 0; Abstain 0)

SR 22-22
Revisions to the Enabling Act of University Senate and Faculty Assembly
April 4, 2022

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED that University Senate endorse the proposed revisions to the Enabling Act of University Senate and Faculty Assembly (see attached)

Special Reports

- 6. Special Reports
 - a. ASG Year in Review – Madelyn Jett, President, Associated Student Government (see slide presentation)
 - i. Presented an outline of the goals, initiatives, and challenges for ASG over 2021-2022. Senators are invited to participate in the Mental Health Forum scheduled for April 16, 2022.

Q: Any advice for incoming administrators or senators?

A: Encouraged to maintain student advocacy and to make sure that students engage in self-care. Consult where possible and hear student voices and take their insights into consideration.

Q: How many student organizations ceased operating due to the pandemic or lack of funding?

A: This is difficult to pinpoint but in past years, there were upwards of 120 organizations applying for funding. During COVID-19 this went down to 57. This year there has been an increase back up to 112.

New Business

- 7. New Business
 - a. Proposed Revisions to Emeritus Faculty Policy – Dana Cox, Associate Provost
 - i. Revisions to the current policy were discussed. Friendly amendments to make the language gender neutral will be entertained.

Q: What are the benefits of having emeritus status?

A: It allows for library access, maintaining email account, and enabling faculty to have title.

- b. Proposed Revisions to Composition of the Fiscal Priorities & Budget Planning Committee - Jennifer Green, Chair, Executive Committee for University Senate
 - i. The proposed revisions are to better ensure that there is full divisional representation on the committee. This is also the time of year where there is natural turnover occurring in committee memberships so there shouldn't create too much disruption with timing.
 - ii. How senate liaisons were chosen was clarified. While the new chair has not yet been determined, they would come from those already seated.
 - iii. The proposal has already been reviewed and approved by both the Council of Academic Deans and University Senate Governance Committee.
 - iv. The discussion and subsequent vote will be on the agenda for the next Senate meeting.
- c. Proposed Revisions to Composition and Function of the Academic Program Review Committee - Jennifer Green, Chair, Executive Committee for University Senate
 - i. The proposed revisions to this committee's composition and function will bring it into alignment with the SR 22-20, approved by Senate on March 28, 2022. No questions were raised. The revisions will be voted on by Senate on April 11, 2022.
- d. Sport Coaching, Bachelor of Science in Sport Leadership and Management – Adam Beissel, Assistant Professor, Sport Leadership and Management (see slide presentations)
 - i. Reminder that there was a new department created when SLAM separated from KNH
 - ii. This new major will be a continuation on their concentration on sports management with very little changes to their current curricular requirements.
 - iii. No new faculty lines, facilities, or equipment needed.

Q: Are there any anticipated challenges in double majors? How separate will they be?
Some are already doing this but it could be challenging if there is a lot of overlap in curricular.

A: It does not appear to be significant enough to cause issues.

Q: Are there specific pathways that graduates can pursue?

A. Internships are required and some pathways already exist and haven't been problematic. Many active pathways, COVID-19 notwithstanding, also have connections with major franchises and more grassroots placements, i.e., secondary schools, leagues, etc.

Adjournment

- 8. Meeting was adjourned.