

## **UCA Faculty Senate Minutes of Tuesday, February 8th, 2011 at 1245pm, Wingo Hall 315**

Members Present (/a: absent; /aa: absent advised)

- Business Administration: Bartczak, Bradley, Moore.
- Education: Albritton/a, Copeland, Hebert/aa.
- Fine Arts And Communication: Browne/aa, President Burley, Castner Post.
- Health And Behavioral Sciences: Fletcher/aa, Poole, Ray/aa.
- Liberal Arts: Arnold, Parrack, Spivey.
- Natural Sciences And Mathematics: BrattonG, Isom, Rowley.
- At-Large Senators: Acre, BrattonD, Jones, Lichtenstein, WilsonA., WilsonJ.
- Senator For Part-Time Faculty: RungeN/aa.
- Office Of The Provost: Provost Grahn.

I. Approval of Minutes from January 27, 2011 (attached).

MOTION to APPROVE: Copeland, BrattonG.

MOTION APPROVED.

II. Remarks, Conrad Shumaker, Director of General Education

(see attached: General Education Recommendation concerning World Cultural Traditions).

Shumaker: Summarizes and comments on attached report.

BrattonG: Have you been given a reason why this proposal was rejected by the Council of Deans (COD)?

Shumaker: 1) No assessment component. 2) Perhaps, not enough options in the "other" category.

BrattonG: Does the General Education Council (GEC) plan to add an assessment component and re-submit the proposal?

Shumaker: Since this recommendation was not intended to be a course proposal, the GEC did not anticipate that the issue of an assessment component would come up. Since it has, the GEC may choose to re-assess and re-submit.

[questions/comments: BrattonD, Shumaker, President Burley, Dr. Jonathan Glenn, Parrack]

III. Recommendations on UCA Board Policy Series 300, Jonathan Glenn

(see attached: recommended changes; Board Policies).

Glenn: Please see attachment. President Meadors asked for a comprehensive review of all Board of Trustees policies, and this review is ongoing. Dr. Glenn has been dealing with the 300 (Provost) series policies. The attachment lists those policies specifically related to the faculty

handbook, and the changes are few. Virtually all recommendations from Dr. Glenn relate to good policy maintenance practice.

President Burley: Is there a motion to approve Policy #300?

MOTION to APPROVE: Parrack, Rowley.

MOTION APPROVED.

... Policy #301?

MOTION to APPROVE: BrattonG, Parrack.

MOTION APPROVED.

...Policy #303?

MOTION to APPROVE: Copeland, Rowley.

Parrack: To change this policy now, after it was carefully examined and agreed to previously, may, to some degree, violate the spirit of the agreement that was previously negotiated by faculty.

[questions/comments: Bradley, Isom, President Burley, Parrack, Glenn, Isom, WilsonJ]

Vote taken for motion to approve Policy #303: 11 for; 5 against, 2 abstentions.

MOTION APPROVED (Policy #303)

...Policy #351?

MOTION to APPROVE: BrattonG, Rowley.

MOTION APPROVED.

...Policy #352?

MOTION to APPROVE: Parrack, Isom.

MOTION APPROVED.

...Policy #353?

MOTION to APPROVE: Copeland, WilsonA.

MOTION APPROVED.

...Policy #354?

MOTION to APPROVE: BrattonD, Jones.

MOTION APPROVED.

...Policy #355?

MOTION to APPROVE: BrattonG, Castner Post.

MOTION APPROVED.

IV. Remarks, Provost Lance Grahn.

Provost Grahn: Comments on weather forecast and possibility that campus will be closed both Wednesday and Thursday this week.

Provost Grahn: President Meadors send his regrets. He is not here because he is on a significant fund raising trip.

Provost Grahn: Comments on the GEC's World Cultural Traditions recommendation. The Provost made a procedural error in allowing the GEC recommendation to proceed to the COD directly out of committee rather than as a motion made by the COD on behalf of the GEC. This error was corrected at a subsequent meeting at which Dr. Glenn made a motion to bring it to the table. On both occasions, the vote was the same: 0 for, 7 against, one abstention. With regard to the content of the recommendation, there are questions that need to be addressed, especially concerning assessment. The recommendation has now gone back to the GEC and will likely be returned to the COD in future for re-consideration.

V. Recommendation, University College Task Force, Kurt Boniecki, Chair  
(see attached).

Boniecki: Comments on attached recommendation. 1) Move University College to College of Education as a department of the College of Education. 2) Create a transition team to facilitate this move. 3) Move the office of Enrollment Management under academic affairs (i.e. Provost).

[question/comments: Bradley, Parrack]

MOTION to APPROVE item #1: Copeland, BrattonD.

[questions/comments: Bradley, Boniecki, BrattonD, Isom, Parrack, Jones, Rowley]

MOTION APPROVED.

MOTION to APPROVE item #2: Lichtenstein, Parrack.

[questions/comments: Parrack, Rowley, Boniecki, Provost Grahn]

MOTION APPROVED.

MOTION to APPROVE item #3: Castner Post, Isom

BrattonG: Comments against the motion. Item #3 is outside the charge of the task force and may be outside the purview of the Faculty Senate.

[questions/comments: Rowley, Castner Post, Parrack, President Burley, BrattonD, Bradley]

MOTION to TABLE item #3: Bradley, Copeland.

vote taken: 4 to table, 13 against tabling, one abstention.

MOTION DEFEATED.

[additional questions/comments on the original MOTION: Boniecki, BrattonG, Provost Grahn, Castner Post, BrattonD, President Burley]

MOTION to call the Question: BrattonG, Parrack.

MOTION to call the question APPROVED.

MOTION DEFEATED.

VI. Recommendation on Resident Masters, Faculty Handbook Committee, Parrack, Chair (see attached)

MOTION to APPROVE: Bradley, Rowley.

Parrack: Comments on recommendation and invites questions.

Bradley: Strongly endorses this recommendation.

Rowley: Offers friendly amendment to clarify the initial appointment and option for renewal based on satisfactory performance under item #1, bullet point #4. The previous wording could be interpreted as restricting a RCM to a single appointment and single extension, totaling 3 years of service. The amendment changes the wording to allow for extensions of service time past the 3rd year point.

MOTION to ACCEPT Rowley's friendly amendment: Bradley, BrattonG.

[questions/comments: Parrack, Caster Post, WilsonA, BrattonD, Isom, BrattonG, Rowley]

MOTION APPROVED with friendly amendment.

VII. Committee Reports.

A. Executive Committee.

President Burley: Need to appoint two senators to the task force for Family Leave and Medical Act for nine month appointees. (see Faculty Handbook p55)

[questions/comments: Bradley, Burley, WilsonJ,]

WilsonJ: Will serve on this task force.

President Burley: Need a second volunteer to appoint. Please think about this.

B. Committee on Committees.

WilsonJ: No report.

C. Academic Affairs.

Castnor Post: No report.

D. Faculty Affairs I.

President Burley (for Fletcher): No report.

E. Faculty Affairs II.

President Burley (for Ray): No report.

VIII. Announcements and Concerns.

Bradley: Concerned about the legitimacy of the Honors College. Request to have this concern placed on the agenda.

President Burley: The Executive Committee will consider this request.

A. Next Meeting: Thursday, February 24, 2011.

(Faculty Senate regularly meets on the 2nd Tuesday & 4th Thursday of each month at 12:45 P.M. in Wingo 315.)

B. Budget Advisory Committee's next meeting: February 10, 2011 in Wingo 315.

C. Other Announcements and Concerns. (none)

IX. Adjournment.

MOTION TO ADJOURN: Rowley, Isom.

MOTION APPROVED.

Adjournment: 2:18 P.M.