

## **UCA Faculty Senate Minutes of Thursday, 12/10/09, 2:00 P.M., Wingo Hall 315**

### Members Present

- Business Administration: Bartczak, Bell, Moore.
- Education: (Albritton - Absent Advised), Copeland, (Hebert - Absent Advised).
- Fine Arts And Communication: Burley, (Castner Post - Absent), Rospert.
- Health And Behavioral Sciences: (Fletcher - Absent Advised), McCullough, (Poole - Absent).
- Liberal Arts: Parrack, Spivey, Castro.
- Natural Sciences And Mathematics: Bratton G, Isom, Seifert.
- At-Large Senators: Acre, Bratton D, Jones, Lichtenstein, Ray, Schaefer.
- Senator For Part-Time Faculty: (Runge N - Absent).
- Office Of The Provost: Provost Grahn.

I. Approval of Minutes from November 10, 2009 (attached pdf: senminutes111009)

MOTION to Approve: Ray, Burley 2nd.

APPROVED, unanimous.

### II. President's Report.

A. Academic Integrity Policy (attached pdf: academicintegrityrevised).

MOTION to Approve: Burley, Bell 2nd.

Dr. Jonathan Glenn: Thanked the Faculty Senate for their input on this policy. Answered miscellaneous related questions. Under this policy, the appeals process is left to the college deans. This new policy changes the sequence of consequences. It is a stronger and cleaner policy.

General discussion ensued.

APPROVED, unanimous.

### B. Correspondence and Updates.

1) Budget Advisory Committee met on Tuesday this week. Discussed the \$1,600,000 state cut. Discussed planning options for fy2010-11 budget. Perhaps build several contingency plans. Diane Newton, new chief financial officer, begins work on 1/11/2010.

2) Meeting with Mr. Rush Harding and President Meadors.

At the request of President Meadors, President Parrack, President Meadors, and Mr. Rush Harding met on 11/20/09 to discuss campus morale and campus communication issues.

McCullough: Anything of significance come out of the meeting?

President Parrack: The meeting was related more to form than to substance. Discussion covered shared governance, budget process, and need for improved communication.

3) General discussion of items left over from 11/10/09 meeting: budget of the Academic Affairs Division comes to 65% of total UCA budget; budget cuts and faculty raises; position being vacated by Jack Gillean; situation regarding departmental lab fees.

Schaefer: Another email about faculty serving as advisors came out this week.

### III. Committee Reports

#### A. Executive Committee.

President Parrack: No news other than reported in President's Report.

#### B. Committee on Committees

1. Financial Aid Appeals: Rob Christensen (COE), Alternate: Nelda New (CHBS)

MOTION to Approve: Ray, Bratton G 2nd.

APPROVED, unanimous.

#### C. Academic Affairs

Schafer: This committee is at work on its assigned issues.

#### D. Faculty Affairs I

Bratton G: no report.

#### E. Faculty Affairs II

Ray: no report.

### IV. Announcements and Concerns.

A. Next Meeting: Thursday, January 28, 2010 at 12:45 pm

(Faculty Senate meetings typically take place on the second Tuesday and fourth Thursday of each month during the academic year, except during vacation periods and finals week.)

#### B. Other Announcements and Concerns.

Ray: There is concern among some faculty that significant changes are being made (e.g. plans for Bear Facts Days) without consultation with faculty.

Burley: Will re-evaluate some of the standing committees so that there will be a designated individual who is responsible for calling the membership together for meetings.

Isom: Thank you to President Meadors for the Christmas bonus for faculty.

Bratton G: Heard from an unnamed faculty member that this bonus was being given in lieu of fy2010-2011 raises. This is a classic example of someone not understanding the facts of a situation.

President Parrack: Announced that Senator Jim Bell is retiring, recognized his considerable contributions over the years to the Faculty Senate, and thanked him for his outstanding service. (Bell will be replaced by Don Bradley.)

Spontaneous, hearty, and sustained applause for Bell.

MOTION to Adjourn: McCullough, Ray 2nd.

APPROVED, unanimous.

Adjournment at 2:30 P.M.