

MINUTES  
UCA Faculty Senate  
February 12, 2013  
Wingo 315, 12:45 pm

**College of Business Administration:** Don Bradley (2013), Jim Downey (2014), Kaye McKinzie (2015)

**College of Liberal Arts :** Jay Ruud (2013), Clayton Crockett (2014) *aa*, Jacob Held (2015)*a*

**College of Education:** Janet Filer (2013), Shoudong Feng (2014), Cheryl Wiedmaier (2015)

**College of Natural Sciences & Mathematics:** Ben Rowley (2013), Charles Watson (2014), Rahul Mehta (2015)

**College of Fine Arts & Communications:** Kevin Browne (2013), Lanette Grate (2014), Garry Craig Powell (2015)

**College of Health & Behavioral Sciences:** K.C. Poole (2015) Lisa Ray (2013), Melissa Shock (2014) *aa*,

**At-Large Senators:** Debbie Bratton (UC, 2015), Janet Wilson (CLA, 2013), Amber Wilson (Library, 2013), Brian Bolter (CHBS, 2014), Doug Isanhart (CB, 2014), Art Lichtenstein (LIB 2015),

Welcome new NSM Senator Rahul Mehta

I. Approval of Minutes from January 24, 2013 (see attached)  
Motion to approve Senator Bradley Second Senator Mehta  
Unanimously approved

II. Remarks, President Tom Courtway  
President Courtway discussed pouring rights. See attached.

Discussed proposed changes to Lottery Scholarship.

III. Remarks, Interim Provost Steve Runge

Dean search. Ongoing for CHBS. Final candidate on campus.

First College of Business candidate next week.

AVID tagline to be added to faculty sig lines.

IV. Diversity Advisory Committee Report, Manny Sepulveda and Price Dooley  
(see attached)

Price discussed diversity from the faculty perspective. Proposes hiring someone at the VP level with a PhD to head this up.

Manny discussed the creation of the office of institutional diversity.

V. Proposed revision of Greek rushing policy, Ronnie Williams and Larry James

See attached.

VI. President's Report

A. Election to approve changes to Faculty Senate Constitution now Underway.

Motion to postpone vote for two weeks until we can meet the requirements in the constitution. Moved Senator Rowley Second Senator Ray.

New language suggested. See attached.

Senator Filer moves to accept new language. Second Senator A. Wilson.

Senator Downey opposed. No abstentions. 16 in favor. Motion passes.

B. At-Large election March 1 – Amber Wilson and electronic voting

See attached.

Motion to go with Survey Monkey, Senator Lichtenstein, Second Senator Burley.

Senator Mehta abstains. 16 in favor.

VII. Senate Committee Reports

A. Executive Committee

No report

B. Committee on Committees

No report

C. Academic Affairs

Postpone til next meeting

D. Faculty Affairs I

No report

E. Faculty Affairs II

No report

VIII. Announcements and Concerns

A. Next meeting: February 28, 2013, at 12:45 in Wingo 315

B. Other Announcements and Concerns

## CFAC Faculty Concerns

Submitted to Lanette Grate 2-4-13

In regard to:

The university committee's vote to recommend we change our soda contract from Pepsi to Coke. A major factor in the decision was that Coke offered us \$2 million in unrestricted funds and this \$2 million enticement had Athletics name already on it.

While who-did-what-when is all very murky, apparently Meadors and the board gave the go-ahead to build a weight room on the "if-come," that is, on the promise (not in writing) of a donor (not in writing) footing the bill. Funny how the "private donor" money has apparently fallen through and, (conveniently?) the weight room's cost comes to about what Pepsi's enticement was.

The Athletic Director says, as you might expect, he's in desperate need to that money since he has to pay for the weight room. Well, actually, the UCA Foundation is the one with an interest payment coming up, since it took out a loan (?) or loaned the money (?) or backed a Purple Circle loan (?) with its collateral.

I'm using this message to convey to CFAC Faculty Senators my opinion that the weight room cost is not UCA's problem but the private Purple Circle Foundation's problem. That we should be plowing the \$2 million into academic needs. That, sorry, no, academics is done, and we're not going to spend one more penny bailing out administrators and their bad decisions.

Senator Ben Rowley:

"I gave you an article to read today that was in the Arkansas Democratic Gazette about a week ago. In it, some of UCA's students are listed as receiving scholarship funds, with the implications that they did not earn them. Stunningly, the names of the students are included in the article, even though the implied accusations have no backup whatsoever. How did the newspaper get this information?

It is not right. I ask you to bring this up to the faculty senate. As faculty charged with protecting the students put in our care, we should protest this infringement on our students' privacy. I would like us to ask UCA to investigate how these students' names were leaked to a newspaper. Surely we could at the least respond to the newspaper asking that some sort of perspective be printed. I realize we would all like to put the entire incident behind us, but if we do nothing we would be remiss. At the least, we owe our students whose reputations have been impacted some kind of explanation as to why we would let the implied accusations go unanswered."

IX. Adjournment

Moved Senator Bolter, Second Senator Ray.