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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE
February 14, 2005

1. Senator Spiggle officially called the regular meeting of the University Senate of February 14, 2005 to order at 4:04 p.m. in Room 7 of the Bishop Center.

2. Approval of Minutes

Senator Spiggle presented the minutes from the regular meeting of December 13, 2004 for review.

The minutes were approved without modification.

3. Report of the President

President Austin summarized recent developments:

a. Public Health Initiative – Collaborative discussions between the Storrs campus and Health Center faculty are taking place.

b. Graduate student expenses on federal grants – Provost Nichols will address this issue on his arrival by appointing a broad-based group to achieve consensus and make a recommendation.

c. Budget – UConn Administrators are working with State Legislators to recommend a budget effective for UConn and the students and families of Connecticut.

d. President Austin announced that he recently accepted the Chairpersonship of the New England Public Colleges and Schools, the Big East President representative to the NCAA Division 1A Board of Directors, and the Chairpersonship of the NCAA board.

e. UConn 2000 – University has redistributed resources to deal with the cost overruns at the Student Union and the Biotechnology Buildings and has made some relate employee organizational changes.

President Austin addressed questions from the Senate which included the Research Advising Council’s suspension of the major grants program and questions related to the University’s budget.

4. Report of the Senate Executive Committee

(See Attachment #23)

Senator Zirakzadeh presented the report of the Senate Executive Committee and a motion on ex officio members of the University Senate.

Motion: Amendment to the Laws, By-Laws, and Rules of the Board of Trustees Board of Trustees, Article X.A.

Recommendation: That the Board of Trustees amends Article X–The University Senate, A. Membership, of the University of Connecticut Laws and By-Laws, as here described.
ARTICLE X – THE UNIVERSITY SENATE

A. Membership

The University Senate shall consist of ex officio and elected members. The ex officio members shall be the President, the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs, the Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer, the Senior Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, the Vice Provost for Multicultural and International Affairs, the Vice Provost for Research and Graduate Education and Dean of the Graduate School, the Vice Provost for Enrollment Management, the Vice Chancellor President for Student Affairs, the Vice Chancellor Provost for Academic Administration Affairs, the Vice Chancellor President for Business and Administration Operations, the Vice President and Chief Information Officer, the Vice Chancellor Provost for Information Services and University Librarian Libraries, and the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education and Instruction Academic Programs, and the Associate Vice President for Human Resources. These ex officio members shall not vote.

The motion carried.

5. Report from the Senate Representatives to the Board of Trustees

(See Attachment #24)

Senator Kendall presented the report of the Senate’s Representatives to the Board of Trustees regarding the Board of Trustees Meeting of February 3, 2005.

6. Senator Mannheim suggested the Senate Executive Committee examine the standing and role of the Research Advisory Committee. Senator Zirakzadeh said the Senate Executive Committee will look into these topics.

7. Senator Schaeffer inquired about use of Library funds to help defray the Student Union cost overruns asked if the money will be restored to the Library in future budgets? Linda Flaherty-Goldsmith addressed this question.

8. Senator Kendall yielded the floor to Dr. Lawrence Armstrong who announced the Faculty Standards Committee’s second annual Promotion, Tenure, and Reappointment Forum to be held on April 8, 2005 from 3:00-5:00 p.m. in the Shippee Dining Hall.

9. Report from the Senate Representative to the Coalition on Intercollegiate Athletics.

(See Attachment #25)

Senator Gramling presented the following motion, which will be voted on at the March 14, 2005 meeting of the University Senate.

The University Senate hereby endorses in principle the Coalition on Intercollegiate Athletics’ (COIA) “Academic Integrity in Intercollegiate Athletics: Principles, Proposed Rules, and Guidelines”

Senators were asked to review the complete COIA document at: http://www.math.umd.edu/~jmc/COIA/AID-Ex.html
10. Report of the Course Renumbering Committee. (See Attachment #26)

Senator von Munkwitz-Smith presented the Report of the Course Renumbering Committee and addressed questions on a motion on renumbering that will be voted on at the March 14, 2005 meeting of the University Senate.

11. Annual Report of the Student Welfare Committee was presented by Senator Korbel. (See Attachment #27)

12. Annual Report of the Scholastic Standards Committee was presented by Senator Moiseff. (See Attachment #28)

13. Report of the Scholastic Standards Committee (See Attachment #29)

Senator Moiseff presented the following motion on repeating courses.

The Senate Scholastic Standards Committee proposes the following motion to revise the section of the Rules and Regulations of the University Senate dealing with repeating courses.

**Proposed revision:**

**BY-LAWS, RULES, AND REGULATIONS OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE**

**II. RULES AND REGULATIONS**

**B. Academic Advising and Registration**

**9. Repeating Courses**

Any student who is regularly registered for any course and who satisfies the requirements shall receive credit therefore, except that no student shall receive credit for the same course twice, unless it is specifically so stated as in a variable content course. Courses with the same first three numbers that cover the same course content cannot be counted more than once for credit toward the degree. The parenthetical phrases (Formerly offered as...) and (Also offered as...) that follow a course title as a cross reference indicate that a student may not take both the course and the cross-referenced course for credit toward the degree. A student is regularly registered for a course only when in registering he or she has conformed to all university or college regulations or requirements applying to registration for the course.

A student may repeat a course previously taken one time without seeking permission in order to earn a higher grade. The student may take the course a third time with the permission of the dean or of the school or college in which the student is enrolled and the instructor of the course. Under no circumstances may a student take a course more than three times.

When a student repeats a course, credit shall be allowed only once. Furthermore, in the computation of the grade point average, the registered credit and grade points for
the most recent taking of the course shall be included in the GPA calculation and the registered credit and grade points for the prior taking of the course shall remain on the transcript, but shall be removed from the GPA calculation.

When a student repeats a course after receiving a degree, the student’s transcript will indicate a grade, but no registered credit, for the repeated course. The grade and registered credit recorded for the course prior to receipt of the degree shall continue to be included in the GPA and credit calculations.

Senator Gramling proposed an amendment to delete the words “the first three” in the first paragraph, second sentence.

The amendment was seconded by Senator Zirakzadeh.

The motion to amend carried.

The motion carried.


(See Attachment #30)

♦ For the information of the senate, the following 200s level courses have been approved to be open to sophomores:
  • GERM 258 Germans in Africa, Blacks in Germany
  • HIST 2XX American Environmental History

♦ The committee moves that the University Senate approve the following courses for the new General Education Curriculum:

1. Courses for consideration by the University Senate in Content Area 3 (Science and Technology). This course does not meet the laboratory requirement.

   SCI 103  Geoscience Through American Studies

2. Courses for consideration by the University Senate in Content Area 4 (Diversity and Multiculturalism). Courses also approved for W included in list.

   MAY NOT be used to satisfy the “International” requirement:
   ANTH 215  Migration
   PSYC 2xx  Introduction to Multicultural Psychology
   PSYC 2yy  Social Psychology of Multiculturalism

The motion carried.

♦ For the information of the senate, the following 200s level courses have been approved for addition of W skill code.

   ANTH 288W  Experimental Archaeology
EGEN 295W  Seminar/Clinic: The Student in the School Context
EPSY 212W  Fundamentals of Assessment in Special Education
OSH 277W  Hazardous Chemicals
PHIL 256W  Philosophy of Perception
PHIL 249W  Philosophy and Neuroscience
PHRM 258W  Current Topics in Pharmacy
PLSC 290W  Environmental Planning and Landscape Design
STAT 200/202W  Undergraduate Seminar I

   (See Attachment #31)

The General Education Oversight Committee moves that the University Senate approve the following
courses for the new General Education Curriculum:

A. Course for consideration by the University Senate in Content Area 1 (Arts & Humanities):

   ENGL 219  Drama
   FREN 261W  From the Holy Grail to the Revolution: Introduction to Literature
   FREN 270W  French Literature and Civilization in English

   The motion carried.

For the information of the senate the following Writing Competency courses have been approved:

CHEM 242W  Advanced Organic Chemistry Laboratory
ECON 202W  Topics in Economic History and Thought
FREN 261W  From the Holy Grail to the Revolution: Introduction to Literature
FREN 270W  French Literature and Civilization in English
GERM 240W  German Literature in Translation
HIST 228W  Europe in the Nineteenth Century
HIST 241W  The History of Urban America
MLS 208W  Immunology for the Medical Laboratory Sciences
PHRM 297W  Honors Thesis in Pharmacy
PNB 292W  Senior Research Thesis in Physiology and Neurobiology
POLSC 263W  Political Institutions and Behavior in Western Europe
PSYC 249W  Emotional and Behavioral Disorders of Childhood
PT 280W  Research for Physical Therapists
PT 308W  Integrative Seminar II
AH 241W  Research for the Health Professions
URBN 290W  Understanding Your Community

   (See Attachment #32)

   ♦ The Nominating Committee moves that the University Senate approve the following deletion
   from the named Standing Committee:
John Clausen, Chair, from the University Budget Committee

- The Nominating Committee moves that the University Senate approve the following addition to the named Standing Committee:

  Nancy Bull, Chair, to the University Budget Committee

  **The motion carried.**

- The Nominating Committee moves that the University Senate approve the following undergraduate student additions to the named Standing Committees:

  Thomas Dillon and Ryan Heafy to alternate on the General Education Oversight Committee
  Shawn Logue to the Enrollment Committee

  **The motion carried.**

17. Old Business – None

18. New Business –

  Faculty Review Board Special Election Ballots were distributed via interoffice mail today.

  Senator Mannheim’s motion to adjourn was carried by a standing vote of the Senate.

  The meeting adjourned at 5:55 PM.

Minutes respectfully submitted,
Kim Chambers
Senate Secretary

The following members and alternates were absent from the February 14, 2004 meeting:

- Anderson, Thomas
- Aronson, Lorraine
- Benson, Edward
- Bergman, Theodore
- Blank, Helene
- Breen, Margaret
- Bull, Nancy
- Cantino, Marie
- Cusack, Liz
- Darre, Michael
- Dashefsky, Arnold
- Dreyfuss, Dale
- Eby, Clare
- English, Gary
- Facchinetti, Neil
- Flanery, Trudy
- Goldman, Jane
- Guillard, Karl
- Herzberger, David
- Hightower, Larry
- Hiskes, Anne
- Humphreys, Nancy
- Lillo-Martin, Diane
- Macgill, Hugh
- Muirhead, Deborah
- Murphy, Brenda
- Myers, Kathryn
- Ndoye, Abdou
- Olson, Derek
- Porter-Benson, Susan
- Rabinowitz, Adam
- Recchio, Thomas
- Rodin, Krista
- Roe, Shirley
- Saddlemire, John
- Smith, Erling
- Thorson, Robert
- Tremmel, Michael
- Wagner, David
- Wisensale, Steven
- Yeagle, Philp