

Faculty Senate Meeting
Thursday, November 7, 2013
3:30 p.m., Library Rooms 209 A&B

Dr Lehr called the meeting to order at 3:35 p.m. The following members were present:

Dr. Stephanie Buchert	Dr. Linda Lau	Dr. Ken Perkins
Dr. David Buckalew	Dr. David Locascio	Dr. Jeannine Perry
Dr. Phil Cantrell	Dr. Mark Lukas	Dr. Melissa Rhoten
Ms. Emily Cox	Dr. Ruth Meese	Dr. Charles Ross
Ms. Cynthia Crews	Mr. Mike Mergen	Dr. Leah Shilling-Traina
Dr. Lily Goetz	Dr. Jake Milne	Dr. Kim Stern
Dr. Jackie Hall	Dr. Jo Morrison	Dr. Chris Swanson
Dr. Jeff Halliday	Dr. Gene Muto	Dr. Meg Thompson
Dr. David Hardin	Ms. Suzy Palmer	

Those not attending were Dr. Paul Barrett, Dr. Paul Chapman, Dr. Audrey Church, Mr. Ken Copeland, Dr. Alix Fink, Dr. David Magill, Dr. Kristen Nugent, Dr. Tim Pierson, Mr. Nick Carrara. Also attending were Mr. Joe Gills (SGA), Dr. Jennifer Green, Ms. Virginia Kinman, Ms. Vikki Levine, Mr. Terry McGee, Ms. Sharon Menegoni, Ms. Abby O'Connor, Dr. Larissa Tracy, and Dr. Scott Wentland.

The minutes for the Senate meeting on October 10, 2013, were approved as posted.

Ms. Menegoni for EPC moved the approval of a new concentration in Real Estate for the MBA degree. The motion passed. There were no questions about the information items in her report.

Dr. Meese moved the approval of changes to the Graduate Council procedures to allow for elections of the Council chair, the Graduate Curriculum Committee chair, and the ex officio representative to the Faculty Senate to take place in the spring instead of in the fall. The motion was seconded and passed.

Dr. Lehr introduced Ms. Levine who described in detail the new Degree Works program which will be implemented next fall for the class entering in the fall of 2014. Students under prior catalogs will continue to be tracked on the current system. Degree works is an academic advising tool and records all pertinent information about a student and will make accessible useful data. On March 18 and 19 SIG will be on campus to offer training. All advisers should plan to attend these sessions, and it is especially essential for those who will be working with incoming students in the fall. For an introduction to the system go to <http://www.enrollment.vcu.edu/rar/degree-works.html>. The DEC will offer support to faculty when the new system is initiated.

Dr. Lehr recognized Ms. Palmer who explained the single-service model the library will be introducing as the second semester begins. There will be a consolidation of circulation/reserves, the reference desk, and the multi-media desk to initiate a one-stop-shopping station manned by more people than are currently at the circulation desk. The location will be where the circulation desk currently is, and librarians will be trained to refer patrons to the people best able to help them.

Dr. Lehr asked Ms. Kinman to give an update on the SACSCOC Compliance Report which the off-site committee of SACS is reviewing right now. Feedback from the committee should be coming very soon. Faculty can access the report in the following way:

Log in: longwood.edu/sacs
Click on SACSCOC Reaffirmation 2014
Under Resources click on Compliance Assist
Your user name: sacsguest
Your password: sacs2014
Click on Accreditation
Reaffirmation 2014

You can print out or save parts that interest you. The on-site visit will occur from March 18-20, 2014.

Dr. Lehr introduced Ms. Howard who presented the maintenance window schedule for 2014. She said there were no complaints last year but asked Senators for suggestions. Senators were happy with the results last year and had no changes to suggest.

Dr. Lehr asked Senators to remind faculty to RSVP for the Inauguration ceremony by the 8th. He reminded them of the reception for faculty and spouses/significant others and of the After-Party the Reveleys were having in a heated tent at Longwood House beginning at 9:30. Rain location for the ceremony itself is Jarman Hall.

Dr. Lehr said that the Executive Committee is in the process of appointing the Academic Core Curriculum Committee to study and revise general education.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Susan May