Faculty Senate Meeting Thursday, March 8, 2012 Library 209 A&B

Dr. Fergeson called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. The following members were present:

- Dr. Bill Abrams Dr. Tom Akre Dr. Lee Bidwell Dr. Stephanie Buchert Dr. Theresa Clark Ms. Kerri Cushman Dr. Rodney Dunning Dr. Melody Eaton Dr. Jackie Hall Dr. David Hardin
- Dr. Chris Jones Dr. David Lehr Dr. David Locascio Dr. David Magill Ms. Sharon Menegoni Ms. Suzy Palmer Ms. Tatiana Pashkova-Blakenhol Dr. Ken Perkins Dr. Jeannine Perry
- Dr. Tim Pierson Dr. Lissa Power-deFur Dr. Robin Smith Dr. Chris Swanson Dr. Derek Taylor Dr. William Thomson Ms. Kathy Worster Dr. Linda Wright

Also present were Dr. Chuck Blauvelt, Dr. Alix Fink, Mr. Brandon Fry, Mr. Eric Koger, Dr. Nick Langlie, Dr. Mark Lenker, Ms. Virginia Kinman, Dr. Wayne White.

The minutes were approved as posted.

Dr. Fergeson called on Ms. Menegoni who presented on behalf of EPC four action items. She moved the approval of a general education course name change for HLTH 210 from World Health Issues to Global Health. The motion <u>passed</u>. She moved approval of a new minor in Social Work & Communication Sciences & Disorders, and that motion <u>passed</u>. Ms. Menegoni moved the approval of the removal of PHYS 101 and PHYS 201 from General Education Goal 6 and the exemption from Goal 6 of students who complete a two-semester physics sequence (PHYS 101-102 or PHYS 201-202). The motion <u>passed</u>. She moved the approval of a new minor for Communication Studies & Theatre: Technical Production. The motion <u>passed</u>. (All of those proposals are posted on the web page.)

Dr. Fergeson recognized Dr. Bidwell who presented the changes the ad hoc Committee on Parental leave made following recommendations made at the last Senate meeting. On behalf of the committee she moved approval of the Maternity Leave policy. The motion <u>passed</u>. On behalf of the committee she moved approval of the Paternal Leave policy. The motion <u>passed</u>.

Dr. Jeannine Perry led a discussion on proposed LOTI policy changes and as a result of several suggestions and questions will ask her committee to revise and reformat the proposals.

Dr. Abram moved the adoption of the piloted proposal cover sheet for action items submitted to the Senate and, at the discretion of the Executive Committee, the practice of first and second readings. The motion was seconded, and it <u>passed</u>.

Dr. Fergeson made several announcements. The Academic Strategic Plan should be ready for Senate in April. The team is still working on it and looking for department feedback. Dr. Fergeson urged Senators and all faculty to keep track of the hours devoted to program review and to SACS. These processes require an enormous expenditure of time. Dr. Perkins added thanks for their efforts to those who have posted assessment results to weave online.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40.

Susan May

All action items are posted on the Senate web page.