

Senate Council  
January 25, 2010

The Senate Council met in regular session at 3 pm on Monday, January 25, 2010 in 103 Main Building. Below is a record of what transpired. All votes were taken via a voice vote unless indicated otherwise.

Chair Dave Randall called the Senate Council (SC) meeting to order at 3:07 pm.

1. Minutes from December 7 and January 11 and Announcements

The Chair reported a number of announcements.

- Final approval of requests for distance learning delivery (DL) for 800-900 professional level courses in the health care colleges will lie with the Health Care Colleges Council chair. All the current requirements for a major course change form, Distance Learning Form, and a syllabus will still be required, and notice of approval must continue to be sent to Distance Learning Programs personnel and the Associate Provost for Academic Affairs.
- Requests for DL delivery for special topics courses will be processed as follows. The department must have an existing special topics course on file. A faculty member who wants to request DL delivery for a specific subtitle must submit the DL Form and the subtitle-specific syllabus for college approval. Upon completion of the college-level review, the request will be sent directly from the appropriate dean's office to the Office of the Senate Council, bypassing the other academic councils. Upon approval of the Chair, the subtitled course will receive approval for DL delivery for the next four semesters. Any future decision to create a new course based upon the subtitle will go through all current procedures, including a full review of the DL aspect by the appropriate academic councils.
- The SC will be having breakfast with President Todd in mid-February.
- There was one Nursing faculty member who volunteered to serve on the Work-Life Supervisor of the Year Selection Committee and that person's name will be sent forward.
- Swanson will be suggested as the faculty representative for the panel judging the musical entertainment for UK Fun Night.
- The issue of undergraduate certificates is still pending in the Senate's Admissions and Academic Standards Committee (SAASC). Associate Provost for Undergraduate Affairs Mike Mullen and the Undergraduate Council have been asked to clarify some issues, and the proposal will soon return to the SAASC for a final review.
- There is an issue regarding membership on the Senate's Institutional Finance and Resource Allocation Committee (SIFRAC) – the Staff Senate portion of membership will not be composed until July 1. It is, however, likely that budgetary issues will arise in the meantime. The Chair passed along the suggestion that there be an ad hoc SIFRAC group to function until June 30. There were no objections to using current Senate membership to compose the Senate's portion of the ad hoc group.
- Thelin will be leaving early.

Grossman **moved** to approve the minutes from December 7 and January 11 as distributed, and Steiner **seconded**. There being no discussion, a **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

#### 2. Change to Application Deadline for Graduate School

The Chair invited guest Blackwell (Graduate School dean) to explain the proposal to push back deadlines for international students' applications, which she did. There being no discussion, the Chair requested a motion.

Grossman **moved** to approve the change to the Graduate School deadline for international applicants and Anderson **seconded**. There being no further discussion, a **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

#### 3. Relocation of Masters in Health Administration Degree Program (from Martin School of Public Policy and Administration to College of Public Health)

SC members and Guests Blackwell, Julia Costich, Bill Hoyt and Steve Wyatt (dean, College of Public Health) all discussed the proposed relocation for some time. When the questions ceased, the Chair thanked the guests.

#### 4. Change to Masters in Business Administration

#### 5. Proposed Change to PhD in Business Administration

Because the contact person from the College of Business and Economics was unable to attend, Dean Blackwell explained the proposals for both Business Administration degrees .

#### 3. Relocation of Masters in Health Administration Degree Program (from Martin School of Public Policy and Administration to College of Public Health)

SC members engaged in additional discussion regarding the proposed move. Chappell **moved** to send the proposal for the move of the Masters in Health Administration Degree Program from the Martin School of Public Policy and Administration to the College of Public Health to the Senate for approval. Grossman **seconded**.

There was some discussion about the lack of a positive recommendation associated with the motion. Afterwards, Grossman **amended the motion** so that the proposal would be sent to the Senate with a positive recommendation, and Swanson **seconded**. There being no additional discussion, a **vote** was taken on the amendment and the motion **passed** with seven in favor and three against. There was additional discussion.

Thelein **called the question**. SC members then voted on the **motion** to send the proposal for the move of the Masters in Health Administration Degree Program from the Martin School of Public Policy and Administration to the College of Public Health to the Senate for approval with a positive recommendation. The motion **passed** with seven in favor and three against.

#### 4. Change to Masters in Business Administration

Chappell **moved** to approve the change in the Masters in Business Administration as outlined in the agenda, and Jensen **seconded**. There being no discussion, a **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

5. Proposed Change to PhD in Business Administration

Chappell **moved** to approve the change in the PhD in Business Administration as outlined in the agenda, and Steiner **seconded**. There being no discussion, a **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

6. Change to Admissions Criteria for BS Nursing

The Chair invited Guest Patricia Burkhart to explain the proposal, which she did, with some input from Guest Joanne Davis. SC members asked a few questions.

Grossman **moved** to approve the change to the admissions criteria for the BS Nursing, and Nokes **seconded**. There being no discussion, a **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** in a show of hands with none opposed.

7. Discussion Transfer Action Plan Legislation

SC members discussed the proposed Transfer Action Plan legislation in Frankfort. Due to timing issues, i.e. the likelihood that both houses of the legislature will approve the bill within days, the Chair opined it would be best to inform the Senate after the legislative dust settled. There were some concerns pertaining not to the language of the bill itself, but rather how some language will be implemented. SC members asked the Chair to invite a member of the Office of Government relations to speak to the Senate in March to describe the legislation, its overall impact, and the implications for UK.

8. Proposed Changes to *Senate Rules 2.1.2* ("Academic Calendar")

The Chair suggested that the SC receive Chappell's report on the Advising Network's proposed change to the academic calendar, and that Grossman chair an ad hoc committee to review various pending calendar proposals. SC members discussed various aspects of the proposal, informed by comments and answers from Guests Susan Skees and Erica Caton. Bundling together the calendar proposals (the proposal from Grossman investigated by Chappell in fall 2008, the Advising Network proposal, and the as-yet-reviewed calendar proposal from the Student Government Association) was also discussed.

Skees and Caton explained that at the end of the fall semester advisors were routinely asked to work during the Christmas break because reports on failing students, which come from the submission of final grades, were not made available to advisors soon enough. There were additional comments and questions from SC members.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:00 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Dave Randall,  
Senate Council Chair

SC members present: Anderson, Chappell, Grossman, Jensen, Kelly, Kirk, Nokes, Randall, Steiner, Swanson, and Thelin.

Provost's Liaison present: Greissman.

Invited guests present: Jeannine Blackwell, Pat Bond, Patricia Burkhart, Julia Costich, Joanne Davis, Bill Hoyt, Susan Skees, Erica Caton, Steve Wyatt.

Prepared by Sheila Brothers on February 2, 2010.

