

University Senate

The University Senate met in regular session at 3 pm on Monday, April 9, 2012 in the Auditorium of W. T. Young Library. Below is a record of what transpired. All votes were taken via a show of hands unless indicated otherwise.

Chair Hollie I. Swanson called the University Senate (Senate) meeting to order at 3:03 pm.

1. Minutes and Announcements

The Chair noted that there were no minutes ready for approval.

There were a few announcements.

- The SC recently received a request from the Martin School of Public Policy and Administration regarding an alternate calendar and waiver of *Senate Rules 5.2.2* (course load) for the Master's in Public Administration. SC members approved a one-time waiver to allow the MPA program to teach two 3-credit hour courses in a four-week period, with the course calendar reverting to a six-week term in future years.
- Congratulations to the following winners of the Provost's Award for Outstanding Teaching
 - Faculty:
 - Kimberly W. Anderson, Chemical & Materials Engineering
 - James F. Fox, Civil Engineering,
 - Sue E. Nokes, Biosystems & Agricultural Engineering
 - William J. Silvia, Animal & Food Science
 - Irene Chico Wyatt, Hispanic Studies
 - Teaching Assistants:
 - Mahan Ellison, Hispanic Studies
 - Joshua T. Guerin, Computer Science
 - Pauline S. Stratman, Chemistry
 - Nesa Wasarhaley, Psychology
 - Provost's Distinguished Service Professors:
 - Francie R. Chassen-Lopez, Department of History
 - Mark Dignan, Department of Internal Medicine
 - Laurie M. Lawrence, Department of Animal and Food Sciences
 - Joseph Straley, Department of Physics and Astronomy
 - Provost's Public Scholars:
 - Paul Eakin - Mathematics
 - Faculty Research Professors (2012-2013):
 - Doug Andres, Molecular and Cellular Biochemistry
 - Mark Dignan, Internal Medicine
 - Mark Fillmore from Psychology
 - Chris Pool, Anthropology
- The Sarah Bennett Holmes Award is granted annually to women working at UK who promote the growth and well-being of other women at UK and across the Commonwealth. There were 60 nominees for the award this year. Congratulations to the 2012 winners:
 - Faculty: Gail Kennedy, Libraries

- Staff: Ann Bassoni, Work+Life

2. Officer and Other Reports

a. Chair's Report

The Chair gave senators an update on the Faculty Committee on Review, Reward and Retention (FCR3). She asked senators to send input, and to encourage colleagues to send input, to either the Chair or other members of FCR3. She said FCR3 was currently setting up interviews with faculty council chairs, deans and department chairs.

The Chair said that it was with regret that Board of Trustees Chair E. Britt Brockman was called away for surgery and was unable to attend the day's meeting. In lieu of his attendance, the Chair asked Bill Swinford, chief of staff to President Eli Capilouto, to give an update.

Guest Swinford offered information to senators on the current budget situation with Frankfort and the impending cut in state funding; how the cuts will specifically affect administrative and educational units; the transition from Provost Kumble Subbaswamy to an interim provost; the search process to identify someone to fill the position of executive vice president for finance and administration; and the recent excitement due to wins by the basketball team. Swinford answered questions from senators.

b. Vice Chair's Report

Vice Chair Grossman reminded senators that during his report in March, he asked senators to send in nominations for the Outstanding Senator Award. He has since received nominations; the period for nominating will end on Friday.

c. Trustee Report

Faculty Trustee John Wilson noted that he was sending information to faculty via email – just contact him about unsubscribing, if need be. Wilson reported to the Senate on the final version of UK's Core Values, but spent the majority of his time discussing the process to evaluate the president. He answered a variety of questions from senators.

3. Committee Reports

a. Senate's Academic Programs Committee

i. Proposed New Graduate Certificate in School Technology Leadership

Andrew Hippisley, chair of the Senate's Academic Programs Committee (SAPC), explained the proposal for a new Graduate Certificate in School Technology Leadership. The **motion** from the SAPC was that the Senate approve the proposed new Graduate Certificate in School Technology Leadership, in the Department of Educational Leadership Studies, within the College of Education, effective fall 2012. There was a question whether or not the Graduate Council had approved the proposal – it had. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

ii. Proposed New BS in Human Health Sciences

Hippisley explained the proposal. The **motion** from the SAPC was that the Senate approve the proposed new BS in Human Health Sciences, in the Division of Health Sciences Education and Research, in the Department of Clinical Sciences, within the College of Health Sciences, effective fall 2012. There were a variety of questions from senators. Interim Dean Sharon Stewart (College of Health Sciences) explained that the proposed new program was going to be advertised as just one route available for students interested in a professional program.

A **vote** was taken on the **motion** and the motion **passed** two opposed and one abstaining.

iii. Proposed New Master of Arts in Arts Administration

Hippisley explained the proposal and said that the **motion** from the SAPC was that the Senate approve the proposed new Master of Arts in Arts Administration, in the Department of Theatre, within the College of Fine Arts, effective fall 2012.

A question arose as to the home academic unit for the proposed new degree. The proposal listed the Department of Theater, but Christ said that the BA in Arts Administration was homed in the College of Fine Arts as a whole. Guest Michael Braun (FA/Theatre) said he had no objection to changing the home academic unit to the College as a whole. Wood asked who would comprise the graduate faculty if the home academic unit were changed. Dean Tick explained that the Council on Postsecondary Education approved the undergraduate program as a free-standing division within the College; it is not interdisciplinary, but rather its own academic discipline.

Some senators expressed concern about changing the home academic unit on the floor of the Senate, without due consideration for possible ramifications. D. Anderson **moved** to remove “Department of Theater” from the motion. Fiedler **seconded**. There was additional discussion. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with 31 in favor, seven opposed and 10 abstaining. Thus, the motion changed to, “motion from the SAPC was that the Senate approve the proposed new Master of Arts in Arts Administration, within the College of Fine Arts, effective fall 2012.”

Grossman **moved** to send the proposal back to the SAPC. Brion **seconded**. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with two opposed.

b. Senate’s Academic Organization and Structure Committee (SAOSC)

i. Proposed Move of Appalachian Center from Vice President for Research to College of Arts and Sciences

Herman Farrell, chair of the SAOSC, explained the proposal and said that the **motion** (approved unanimously) from the SAOSC was that the Senate approve the move of the Appalachian Center, a multidisciplinary research center, from the Vice President for Research to the College of Arts and Sciences, effective upon approval by the Board of Trustees.

Grossman **moved** to change the word “approve” to “endorse” and D. Jones **seconded**. After brief discussion regarding the amendment, a **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

The Chair asked if there were any comments for or against the amended motion. There being no comments, a **vote** was taken on the **motion** to endorse the move of the Appalachian Center, a multidisciplinary research center, from the Vice President for Research to the College of Arts and Sciences, effective upon approval by the Board of Trustees. The motion **passed** with none opposed.

iii. Proposed Change to Name of the College of Communications and Information Studies

Farrell explained the proposal. The **motion** from the SAOSC was that the Senate endorse the proposed name change of the College of Communications and Information Studies to the College of Communication and Information, effective upon approval by the Board of Trustees. There were some comments from senators. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed and one abstaining.

c. Senate's Rules & Elections Committee (SREC)

i. Proposed Revisions to Senate Rules 3.3.2 ("Procedures Governing Creation, Consolidation, Transfer, Discontinuation, or Significant Reduction of an Academic Program or Educational Unit")

Davy Jones, chair of the SREC, explained the proposed changes to the Senate Rules in detail. He explained that the **motion** from the SREC was that the Senate approve the proposed revisions to *Senate Rules 3.3.2*, effective immediately. A **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed

4. State of Student Affairs

The Chair invited Vice President for Student Affairs Robert Mock to offer his presentation, which he did.

5. University Appeals Board (2010-2011) Report

Joe Fink (PH/Pharmacy Practice and Science), chair of the University Appeals Board, gave senators a report on the activities of the UAB from 2010 – 2011. He answered a variety of questions from senators. The Chair thanked him for attending.

The Chair commented that she knew the Senate was interested in the work by the budget committee chaired by College of Pharmacy Dean Tim Tracy. He met for two hours with SC, but she thought that since the agenda was already full, it might just be frustrating for everyone to insert a 10-minute presentation into the April agenda. She said there would be open forums coming soon with more information to come.

Brion **moved** to adjourn and Friar **seconded**. The motion **passed** due to lack of objection. The meeting was adjourned at 5:03 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Robert Grossman,
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Absences: Adams; Allison; Anderson, H.; Anstead; Atwood; Badger; Baker; Ballard; Birdwhistell; Blackwell*; Brennen; Brion; Brown-Wright; Butler; Campbell; Capilouto; Conners*; Davis; de Beer; Deep; DeWall*; Durham; Eckman; Ettensohn; Feddock; Feist-Price; Mullen; Fielden; Hackbart; Hardin-Pierce; Harris; Hazard*; Heller; Jackson; Kelly; Kirk; Kirschling*; Lee*; Lester; Martin; Mazur; Michelman; Morris*; Mountford; Murthy; O'Hair, D.; O'Hair, MJ; Osborn; Peek; Porter; Ranseen; Richey; Scutchfield; Shannon; Smith; Speaks; Steiner; Subbaswamy; Sutphen; Tracy, J.; Tracy, T.; Voro; Wasilkowski; Wells; Williams; Wimberly; Wiseman; Witt; Wyatt

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* Denotes an absence explained prior to the meeting.