

University Senate  
November 10, 2014

The University Senate met in regular session at 3 pm on Monday, November 10, 2014 in the Auditorium of W. T. Young Library. Below is a record of what transpired. All votes were taken via electronic voting devices unless indicated otherwise; specific voting information can be requested from the Office of the Senate Council.

Senate Council (SC) Chair Andrew Hippisley called the University Senate (Senate) meeting to order at 3:01 pm. The Chair reminded senators to sign in and pick up their voting devices.

1. Minutes from October 13, 2014 and Announcements

The Chair said that no corrections to the Senate minutes from October 13, 2014 were received by 9 am on Friday. There being **no objections**, the minutes from October 13, 2014 were **approved** as distributed by **unanimous consent**.

There were a few announcements.

- The Senate's new parliamentarian is Kate Seago (LI).
- The purpose of the "Other Business" agenda item is to make the Senate agenda a bit more body driven. During "Other Business," senators are welcome to suggest issues the Senate should discuss. There should be no motions made during "Other Business" to ensure proper advance notice is given of formal Senate actions.
- The SC identified nominees for the 2014-15 Periodic Program Reviews for the Colleges of Business and Economics, Medicine, Engineering, and Law.
- The SC identified nominees for the 2014-15 Summative Reviews for Deans Mark Kornbluh, David Brennen, Dan O'Hair, and Mary John O'Hair.
- The SC identified Bruce O'Hara (AS/Biology) as the SC-appointed nominee to serve on the (2015) Thursday Football Committee.
- The SC identified Brad Lee (AG/Plant and Soil Sciences) as the SC-appointed nominee to serve on UK's Dining Oversight Committee.

2. Officer and Other Reports

a. Chair

The Chair explained to senators the charge and composition of the SC's ad hoc Committee on the University Calendar. The Committee on the University Calendar is charged to review the 2012 ad hoc Committee on Calendars report; present SC with recommendations about the 2012 ad hoc committee's report, including limitations, prioritizations, and implementation plans; create and suggest alternatives, if appropriate, to the recommendations from the 2012 ad hoc committee; and liaise with the Senate's Academic Planning and Priorities Committee (SAPPC) to coordinate the SAPPC's review of standardized meeting patterns and any intersections with issues discussed by the new Committee on the University Calendar.

The membership of the Committee on the University Calendar is: Sharon Lock (chair, Senate's Dist. & e-Learning Committee); Kevin Real (SAPPC); Margaret Bausch (2012 ad hoc calendar committee chair); Christian Oberst (SC student member); Miko McFarland (International Center – informational resource); and David Timoney (Registrar's office – informational resource).

Next the Chair told senators about the SC's ad hoc Committee to Review the UK Confucius Institute (UKCI). The committee is charged to: review the agreement, budget, and activities of the UKCI; review national media articles and the AAUP statement [American Association of University Professors];

interview UKCI Director Dr. Huajing Maske and Associate Provost for Internationalization Susan Carvalho; conduct any other inquiries they deem relevant; and present findings to SC and then to the full Senate, including deans and the Provost.

The membership of the Committee to Review the UK Confucius Institute is: Wally Ferrier, chair (SAPPC chair); Katherine McCormick (highly focused on global activities); Ernie Bailey (Senate's Academic Organization and Structure Committee chair); Ernie Yanarella (instrumental in developing UK Core Global Dynamics); Anna Brzyski (address UKCI parameters and contributions); Liang Luo (from Chinese Studies program); and Ashley Zepeda (student senator, International Studies major). The Chair said he was particularly pleased to have one of the Senate's student senators, who is majoring in International Studies, as part of the committee.

Moving on to formal actions on behalf of the Senate, the Chair explained that the SC approved non-standard calendars for EDP 665, EDP 670, EDC 610, and EDC 730. The SC also approved a waiver of *Senate Rules 5.2.4.8.1* ("Final Examinations") for CHE 232-001. Finally, the SC officially recognized the transfer of the MS Physical Therapy and BS and MS in Communication Sciences and Disorders from the Department of Clinical Sciences to the Department of Rehabilitation Sciences in the College of Health Sciences. According to the rules in effect when the Department of Rehabilitation Sciences was created in 2000, the three degree programs should have been administratively moved when the new department was established.

b. Vice Chair

Vice Chair Christ said she had nothing to report.

c. Parliamentarian

Kate Seago, Senate parliamentarian, introduced herself to senators. She offered a few slides to senators regarding the role of the parliamentarian (advise the presiding officer on matters of parliamentary procedure); she clarified that her role was to be more concerned with rules and less concerned with the content of discussion. Seago explained that the Senate followed parliamentary procedure (from Robert's Rules of Order: Newly Revised) except where the *Senate Rules* and regulations state otherwise. Any faculty member including emeritus faculty may serve as the University Senate Parliamentarian, which is appointed by the SC. The parliamentarian position has no official term limits. Seago commented that she was a firm believer in term limits, however, and said she looked forward to meeting her replacement in three years.

Seago said that any member of the Senate can indicate to the Chair they wish to raise a Point of Order, which would be a question or concern about whether the rules of Senate or Robert's Rules are being followed. Points of Order should be raised as soon as someone has a concern and should be resolved before business continues. She said that if a senator raised a point of order, she would confer with the Chair and then make her decision.

The Chair reminded those present that guests are always welcome at Senate meetings, but speaking rights belong primarily to senators; guests speak at the discretion of the Chair, the presiding officer. He asked guests to please let members of the body speak first.

d. Trustee

Grossman reported that Wilson apologized for missing the Senate meeting – he had a family commitment to attend to. Grossman said that the Board of Trustees (Board) met in October for a retreat and a Board meeting the following day; the Board discussed UK's research enterprise and the directions in which it might go. Grossman offered a recap of that day's discussion items [and read the Board's research resolution to senators.](#)

**PRINCIPLES FOR THE RESEARCH ENTERPRISE**

**Recommendation: Recognizing the essential nature and value of all scholarly and creative activity undertaken at a comprehensive, land-grant institution, the University's mission and the current financial environment compel a focus on research areas where:**

1. the needs of Kentuckians and the Commonwealth are most pressing; and
2. the University can continue to compete successfully for external research support.

The President is directed to take steps necessary to achieve these goals and grow the University's research enterprise by:

1. Aligning resource commitments to optimize efficiency and facilitate faculty, student and staff success;
2. Recruiting and retaining world-class scholars and research teams;
3. Strengthening the commitment to interdisciplinary exploration; and
4. Confirming and detailing the critical need for additional research infrastructure.

Grossman related ~~, as well as~~ his exhortation to President Eli Capilouto that research is more than health research and involves many other types of creativity, including writing books and producing musicals.

### 3. Health and Safety Implementation Plan - Vice President for Student Affairs Robert Mock (10 minutes, followed by Q&A)

Vice President for Student Affairs Dr. Robert Mock gave senators a 10-minute presentation on UK's Health and Safety Implementation Plan. Guest Mock emphasized that the plan involved a multi-pronged approach involving a revised Code of Student Conduct, a new alcohol policy, a public reporting link for on- and off-campus concerns, and expansion of UK's Employer Assisted Housing Program. During the course of his presentation he reiterated that there was no formal implementation date set yet, although the intent is for an effective date at some point during spring 2015. Mock spoke for about 10 minutes, after which he took questions from senators.

Prats asked how new and current students will know about changes, such as revisions to the Student Code of Conduct. Mock replied that the short answer was that representatives from UK's Public Relations office attend all the implementation committee meetings. The plan is for several layers of communication via several modalities (including social media), as well as announcements during new student orientation and messages to current students. Prats also wondered how UK would treat an underage student at an event where alcohol is served. Mock replied that the idea is to allow non-legal individuals to attend, but only legal drinkers will have an armband or wristband indicating they can be served alcoholic beverages. The intent is to help underage students understand how to drink safely.

Grossman asked for more information about the new requirement that a sexual assault victim be informed of the outcome of a case, particularly any punishment for the perpetrator. Mock explained that in cases of sexual assault, the victim will be informed of the outcome of the case including any punishment meted out to the perpetrator. In response to a follow-up question from Grossman, Mock clarified that both victims and perpetrators still have freedom of speech regarding outcomes – information about a personal event is that person's event and can be talked about with others if the individual so desires.

Swanson asked if there were resources, such as a counselor or attorney, available for victims of sexual assault; he was concerned that cases involving student athlete perpetrators could involve a lot of advocacy on behalf of the student athlete, leaving the victim without assistance. Mock explained that UK's Violence Intervention and Prevention Center (VIP Center) participates in almost every sexual assault incident, on behalf of victims. Mock emphasized that only 10% of those assaulted or raped actually come forward, but when they do come forward, UK has staff who help the victim move through the process of making the report, as well as help with living issues. If someone has been assaulted or raped, there may be fears and other concerns that limit a person's ability to function well. Mock said the VIP Center staff spend time with victims and help get them to a point where they can live and function without the continuing horror of the event impacting the person forever. He added that the services are free and without charge.

Due to the time, the Chair said that he needed to stop the question and answer session. In response to the Chair, Mock said senators were welcome to email him with additional questions. Mock volunteered to return to the Senate in the future; he also said he was happy to attend departmental or college-level meetings to share this information with smaller groups.

#### 4. Committee Reports

##### a. Spring 2014 and Summer 2014 Report from Senate's Advisory Committee on Privilege and Tenure (SACPT) - Stephen Testa, Past Chair

Guest Stephen Testa (AS/Chemistry) presented senators with the report from the Senate's Advisory Committee on Privilege and Tenure (SACPT) for spring and summer 2014. At the end of his comments he reminded senators that the recommendations from the SACPT were given to President Eli Capilouto, who has since formed an ad hoc committee on faculty performance evaluations and the Family Medical Leave Act. The Chair commented that the composition of the committee was announced to the Senate earlier in the year; there are two or three faculty serving on it. There were no questions from senators.

##### b. Senate's Academic Organization and Structure Committee (SAOSC) - Ernie Bailey, Chair

###### i. Proposed New Department of Toxicology and Cancer Biology

Bailey, chair of the Senate's Academic Organization and Structure Committee (SAOSC), said the recommendation from the SAOSC was that the Senate **move** to endorse the change in the name and organizational structure of the Graduate Center for Toxicology to the Department of Toxicology and Cancer Biology. Bailey explained the proposal. The Chair stated that because the motion came from committee, no **second** was needed.

Tagavi **moved** to amend the motion to include an effective date of January 1, 2015. Wood **seconded**. After additional discussion, a **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with 42 in favor, 31 opposed, and seven abstaining. There were a few additional comments.

A **vote** was taken on the amended **motion** that the Senate to endorse the change in the name and organizational structure of the Graduate Center for Toxicology to the Department of Toxicology and Cancer Biology, effective January 1, 2015. The motion **passed** with 80 in favor and one abstaining.

##### c. Senate's Academic Programs Committee (SAPC) - Margaret Schroeder, Chair

###### i. Proposed New Graduate Certificate in Health Coaching

Schroeder, chair of the Senate's Academic Programs Committee (SAPC), said the recommendation from the SAPC was that the Senate **move** to approve the establishment of a new Graduate Certificate in Health Coaching, in the Department of Kinesiology and Health Promotion within the College of Education. Schroeder explained the proposal. The Chair stated that because the motion came from committee, no **second** was needed.

In response to Wood, Schroeder clarified that the faculty responsible for the proposed new Graduate Certificate in Health Coaching are the graduate faculty of the Department of Kinesiology and Health Promotion. There being no further discussion, a **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with 76 in favor, one opposed and 3 abstaining.

###### ii. Proposed New BA/BS in Modern and Classical Languages, Literatures and Cultures

Schroeder said that the recommendation from the SAPC was that the Senate **move** to approve, for submission to the Board of Trustees, the establishment of a new BA/BS in Modern and Classical Languages, Literatures and Cultures, in the Department of Modern and Classical Languages, Literatures and Cultures, within the College of Arts and Sciences. Schroeder explained the proposal. The Chair stated that because the motion came from committee, no **second** was needed.

Guest Jeanmarie Rouhier-Willoughby, chair of the Department of Modern and Classical Languages, Literatures and Cultures (MCLLC), responded to questions from Dietz and Grossman by explaining that the difference between the BA in MCLCCL and the BS in MCLLC involved the College of Arts and Sciences' requirements for a bachelor of science degree. Vasconez asked about the degrees offered by the Department of MCLLC. Schroeder explained that the department offered bachelor's degrees in

Classics, Chinese Studies, French and Francophone Studies, German, Japan Studies and Russian Studies. Rouhier-Willoughby added that track for Islamic and Arabic Studies was currently a minor only, but it would have its own track in the proposed new program. Existing majors will be dropped with a teach-out plan for students in progress after the proposed new BA/BS in Modern and Classical Languages, Literatures and Cultures with tracks is implemented.

Firey asked about the impact of the change on students who may want to go into graduate programs for specific languages. Rouhier-Willoughby said that the tracks reflect the current language concentrations; students would take the same number of hours under the new major in a language as they currently do in the existing language majors. There being no additional discussion, a **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with 77 in favor, one opposed and one abstaining.

##### 5. Motion to Amend Something Previously Adopted (May 2014 Degree List): Rescind Double Major and Bestow Dual Degree

The Chair explained that it was relatively common for the Senate Council office to get a request from a college dean's office to add a student to a certain degree list, apologizing for an administrative error that kept the student from being on the degree list. In these cases, the student is retroactively added to the degree list, on behalf of the Senate. The current situation, however, was a different sort of administrative error.

The student, referred to as SM-99, expected a BS in Accounting and a BS in Economics, but ended up on the May 2014 degree list with a BS Accounting and a double major in Economics. The college contacted the Senate Council office and acknowledged administrative error and asked that the situation be fixed so the student receives, via the May 2014 degree list, separate bachelor's degrees in accounting and economics. The corollary to that is taking away SM-99's BS Accounting with a double major in Economics. The Chair acknowledged that rescinding a degree did sound terrifying, but that it was necessarily connected to granting upon the student the dual degrees to which the student was entitled. The Chair said that the Senate would need to take formal parliamentary action by amending something previously adopted. If the motion is approved, it will go to the Board of Trustees for action at its December 2014 meeting.

The Chair explained that the appropriate motion was that the that the Senate amend the May 2014 degree list adopted at the May 5, 2014 Senate meeting by rescinding the BS in Accounting with a second major in Economics for student SM-99, and in its place granting upon SM-99 a BS in Accounting and a BS in Economics. Grossman **moved** the motion and Anderson **seconded**. The Chair confirmed for Hulse that the degrees were in the Gatton College of Business and Economics, and confirmed for Grossman that the Board would need to act on the issue, too.

Wood **moved** to amend the motion to clarify exactly what the Senate and Board will do. Wood's amended motion was that the Senate approve the retroactive addition of the requesting student to the May 2014 degree list for the degree of BS in Economics; furthermore the Senate recommends to the Board that the BS Accounting with a double major in Accounting and Economics be rescinded and the degrees of BS in Accounting and BS in Economics be conferred as of May 2014. Debski **seconded**. The Chair asked for comments on the amendment.

Christ spoke against the amendment on the grounds that SC took the Parliamentarian's advice on the formal process to change a previous action via one motion. Anderson spoke against the amendment – she said the original motion was clearer. Grossman also spoke against the amendment, saying the extra language was unnecessary. Blonder spoke in favor of explicitly separating the two Senate and Board actions. She asked if this would set a precedent. The Chair replied that it seemed dramatic, but that rescinding the degree was a strict corollary to awarding to the student the degrees to which he was entitled. The Chair confirmed for Grossman that the student had completed all the credits necessary for two separate degrees. There were additional comments.

Grossman asked the Parliamentarian if it was acceptable to amend Wood's amendment; Seago suggested that the Senate vote on Wood's amendment, first. There was additional discussion about the

amendment. Lee **called the question**. A **vote** was taken and the motion to call the question **passed** in a show of hands with none opposed. A **vote** was taken on the amended motion (that the Senate approve the retroactive addition of the requesting student to the May 2014 degree list for the degree of BS in Economics; furthermore the Senate recommends to the Board that the BS Accounting with a double major in Accounting and Economics be rescinded and the degrees of BS in Accounting and BS in Economics be conferred as of May 2014) and the motion **failed** with 16 in favor, 45 against, and seven abstaining.

The Chair said that discussion would return to the main motion. Hulse offered a **friendly amendment** to change the Economics degree type from “BS” to “BSBE,” which was the correct Economics degree offered by the Gatton College of Business and Economics. There being no further discussion, the Chair noted that only elected faculty senators could participate in the **vote** on the motion that the that the Senate amend the May 2014 degree list adopted at the May 5, 2014 Senate meeting by rescinding the BS in Accounting with a second major in Economics for student SM-99, and in its place granting upon SM-99 a BS in Accounting and a BSBE in Economics. The motion **passed** with 58 in favor, four opposed and one abstaining.

#### 6. Other Business

The Chair asked if any senator had other business to discuss. O'Connor said she asked colleagues about what the Senate should look at during the year. O'Connor's colleagues asked that she raise the issue of student course evaluations (conducted online) sometimes being submitted by only two or three students. O'Connor clarified that she would like the Senate to help faculty find ways to incentivize students to fill out online course evaluations. The Chair noted that there was a committee reviewing the matter of teacher-course evaluations and said he could send the issue to them for consideration. O'Connor said that it was fine for the committee to review it, but that the problem needed to be addressed quickly. O'Connor went on to say that escalating administrative positions (compared to numbers of faculty positions) was another concern raised by her colleagues.

There being no further comments for other business, the Chair solicited a motion to adjourn. Fiedler **moved** to adjourn and McGillis **seconded**. Senators voted with their feet and the meeting was adjourned at 4:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Alice Christ,  
University Senate Secretary

Invited guests present: Robert Mock, Jeanmarie Rouhier-Willoughby Stephen Testa, and Mary Vore.

Absences: Adams, Anderson, Arthur\*, Birdwhistell, Blackwell, Brennen, Brion\*, Browning, Campbell\*, Cassis, Clark, Cox, de Beer, Doolen\*, El-Mallakh, Ferrier, Fox, Grace, Griffith\*, Gross, Healy\*, Ingram\*, Jackson, J., Jennes, Jong\*, Kennedy\*, Kornbluh, Kraemer, Lauersdorf\*, Lewis, Martin, A., McCormick, McManus, O'Hair, D.\*, Pienkowski, Prather, Profitt, Richey, Royse, Sanderson, Sekulic\*, Smyth\*, Steiner, Stewart\*, Tick, Tracy, Turner\*, Vosevich, Walz, Watt\*, Webb, Wilhelm, Wilson, J.\*, Wilson, M.\*, Witt, Yost\*, and Zepeda\*.

Prepared by Sheila Brothers on Tuesday, November 11, 2014.

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\* Denotes an explained absence.