Faculty Senate

2:30pm, Monday, November 18, 2024 Student Union E156 Endeavor Room

Faculty Senators

- √ Barnett, Jessica
- √ Bennett, Eric
- √ Cebulash, Glen
- √ Evans, Vicki
- √ Garverick, Pamela
- √ Gill, Simranjit (online)
- √ Martin, Kerry
- √ McNutt, Mindy
- √ Oroszi, Terry
- √ Raslich, Marc
- √ Richter, Teresa
- √ Ricker, Josh (online)
- √ Rucker, Mary
- √ Shannon, Vaughn
- √ Steele-Johnson, Debra
- √ Stover, Sheri

Faculty Senators

- √ Vadeboncoeur, Yvonne
- √ Voss, Andrew
- √ Willardsen, Kevin (online)
- $^{\sqrt{}}$ Wischgoll, Thomas
- √ Yang, Zifeng

Faculty President

√ Dawn Wooley (EC)

Faculty Vice President

√ John Sherman

Faculty Senate Parliamentarian

√ Melissa Spirek

University President

Susan Edwards

University Provost

 $\sqrt{}$ Amy Thompson

I. Call to Order

A. Introduction of Faculty Vice President John Sherman

Faculty President Dawn Wooley called the meeting to order at 2:30 PM, introduced newly elected Faculty Vice President John Sherman, and then called on Dr. Sherman to call the roll.

B. AY2024-25 Roster

http://www.wright.edu/faculty-senate/about/2024-25-officers-and-members

II. Approval of Minutes

A. October 2024

https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2024/Oct/meeting/ Senate Minutes 2024-10.pdf

After a motion and second, the minutes of the October 2024 meeting were approved as written.

III. Report of the University President or Provost

- A. Provost Amy Thompson opened her remarks by giving a special thanks to the Faculty Senate, Ann Bowling, and the Core Oversight Committee for their work on the core transition process. Course proposals over 90% submission for all courses and OT36 proposals.
- B. CoSM will host the Festival of Research on Friday, November 22.
- C. Earlier today a communication was sent from the Office of Disability Services and WSU Online clarifying the accessibility requirements of WSU online courses. Additional time has been given until the end of April and full support for the conversion of course materials will be available. There are two parts:
 - i. Items that need to be addressed by distance education and online courses, and
 - ii. Making sure that all WSU classes meet ADA guidelines for Spring 2026.
- D. Provost Thompson announced that, at the request of Faculty President Dawn Wooley, the pilot period for the new student evaluation of instruction (see EC report item A) has been delayed until Spring semester to allow additional time for feedback from faculty.
- E. A call for proposals for seed grants to embed Ai into coursework will be announced in the near future.
- F. Provost Thompson ended her remarks by recognizing Dr. Marietta Orlowski for winning the 2024 Health Educator of the Year Award from the Society for Public Health Education.
- G. Raidersgiving will be held 12:00 PM 2:00 PM, Wednesday, November 27 in the Nutter Center.

Q&A Summary

- H. Faculty Vice President John Sherman asked about the status of the Provost's response to a request for information, sent by the Executive Committee on October 30 on behalf of the ad-hoc University Policy Review Committee.
 - i. Provost Thompson replied that the questions were forwarded to Sean Culley, General Counsel, who oversees the University Policy Committee, and that she would follow up with him regarding the status of the response.
 - ii. Faculty Vice President Sherman raised the issue that faculty are required to answer student emails within 48 hours and that it feels like a double standard given the lack of response from administrators for this question.
 - iii. Provost Thompson reiterated that she will follow-up with Mr. Culley.
 - iv. Faculty Vice President Sherman then asked if the Provost could address the questions from the request:
 - Q (Sherman): Membership of the University Policy Committee
 - A (Thompson): Provost Thompson, Sean Culley, Emily Hamman (VP-Human Resources), Greg Sample (CIO), and Carol Loranger (VP-Faculty Affairs) by request
 - Q (Sherman): Why is the committee roster not published on the website when the policy on policies invites student to recommend policy changes, but how can they do that without knowing who to submit to?
 - A (Thompson): Provost Thompson indicated that the policy was put in place prior to joining WSU and that she'll look into the background and follow-up with Sean Culley.
 - Q (Sherman): Where can we find minutes of the committee?
 - A (Thompson): Provost Thompson indicated that she will refer the question to Sean Culley.
 - Q (Sherman): What was the rationale for the policy change?
 - A (Thompson): Provost Thompson reiterated that the policy was put in place prior to her joining WSU and that she'll be happy to followup with Sean Culley and the committee.
 - Faculty Vice President Sherman closed his questioning by asking when to expect a reply from Sean Culley, and Provost Thompson indicated that she'll follow-up again after the Senate meeting.
- I. Senator Sheri Stover asked about what level of support that will be provided for the accessibility conversions mentioned during the Provost's remarks.
 - i. Provost Thompson indicated that the goal is for faculty to send their materials into WSU Online and they will do everything they can to convert the materials.
- J. Senator Glen Cebulash asked a question about the response rate to student evaluations of instructions. (note: inaudible audio recording)
 - i. Provost Thompson indicated that the response rate has not been great, but she didn't have exact figures available at this time.
 - ii. (inaudible recording) Senator Cebulash indicated that response rates were better using the scantron forms and having students fill them out at the beginning or end of a class period.
 - iii. Provost Thompson indicated that having a dedicated time during class is one of the recommendations for the upcoming pilot.

- K. Faculty Vice President Sherman raised concerns from constituents regarding the required mental health workshop, namely that some over-qualified faculty were required to complete 8 10 hours of training for which they didn't need.
 - i. Provost Thompson replied that this was a Presidential requirement for all members of campus to complete. It is an important training that affects all members of campus; earlier today the Provost was made aware of a student who will likely pass away due to a suicide attempt. Exemptions to the training were allowed, but they are made by the Director of the Counseling Center.
 - ii. Faculty Vice President Sherman followed up asking about the cost to the University for the program. Provost Thompson replied that most of the cost was donated and achieved via grants.
 - iii. Faculty Vice President Sherman closed his questioning by asking if senior administrators were required to take the program. Provost Thompson replied that everyone needs to complete the training and it has been extended until July.
- L. Senator Cebulash asked for an update about his previous question regarding the safety of the doors with respect to an active shooter. Provost Thompson replied that the administration is looking grant funding opportunities.
- IV. Report of the Senate Executive Committee
 - A. Proposed New Student Evaluation of Instruction
 - i. Proposed questions
 - ii. IT committee feedback

Faculty President Dawn Wooley asked the Senators to review the questions and IT committee feedback. An email will also be sent to all faculty asking for feedback.

B. Guest Speaker Invitations

Faculty President Wooley announced the Executive Committee has invited President Sue Edwards, CIO Greg Sample, and VP for Human Resources Emily Hamman to present at upcoming Senate meetings.

C. Draft Spring 2025 Election Schedule

Senators were asked to review the draft election schedule. A final version will be shared on the December Senate agenda.

- D. AY2024-25 Curriculum Schedules and Deadlines
 - i. Core Transition Tips, Resources, and Deadlines
 - ii. <u>Undergraduate Curriculum Committee</u>
 - iii. Graduate Curriculum Committee
- E. AY2024-25 Senate Committee Rosters
- V. Curriculum for Final Review https://wright.curriculog.com/agenda:716/form

A. Statistics Dual Major (deactivation) (UCC)

A motion was made and seconded to approved this item. The item was approved by voice vote without dissent or abstention.

VI. Old Business

- A. Undergraduate Academic Policies (UAPC)
 - i. Policy 4010 Grading System https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2024/Oct/meeting/4010%20Grading%20System.pdf

A motion was made and seconded to approved this item. The item was approved by voice vote without dissent or abstention.

ii. Policy 3404 – Required Advisor Approval Modification https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2024/Oct/meeting/3404%20Required%20Advisor%20Approval%20Modification.pdf

A motion was made and seconded to approved this item. The item was approved by voice vote without dissent or abstention.

iii. Policy 3340 – Dean's List and President's List https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2024/Oct/meeting/DeansList sideview.pdf

A motion was made and seconded to amend this item: changed 3.99 to 4.00 to allow 4.00 students to appear on both their college's dean's list and the President's list. The amendment was approved by voice vote without dissent or abstention.

A motion was made and seconded to approved the item. The item was approved by voice vote without dissent or abstention.

Amended & Approved policy:

https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2024/Nov/meeting/DeansList tracked amended approved.pdf

B. Core Learning Outcomes (EC)

https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2024/Oct/meeting/%5BCORRECTED%5D%20New%20Core%20Learning%20Outcomes%202024_Approved%20by%20Faculty%20Senate%20EC.pdf

A motion was made and seconded to amend this item: strike the history learning outcomes. During discussions, Dr. Wooley informed the body that the language was confusing issues around Core attributes. There is no history attribute, therefore there doesn't need to be history specific core outcomes. The history program and history courses may have history outcomes, they should link to the appropriate core outcomes for their corresponding element/attribute (example: Arts & Humanities, Global Inquiry, etc). The inclusion of history outcomes as part of the core outcomes document has led some to believe there is a history specific attribute.

The motion was approved by voice vote without dissent or abstention.

A motion was made and seconded to approve the item as amended. The motion was approved by voice vote without dissent or abstention.

Amended & Approved policy:

https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2024/Nov/meeting/%5BCORRECTED-

AMENDED%5D%20New%20Core%20Learning%20Outcomes%202024 Approved%20bv%20Faculty%20Senate%20EC 2024-11-18.pdf

C. Institutional Learning Outcomes (Assurance of Learning Committee)
https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2024/Oct/meeting/ILOs%20DRAFT%20to%20Faculty%20Senate%202024%2007%2015.pdf

October presentation:

https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2024/Oct/meeting/ILOs%20DRAFT%20to%20Faculty%20Senate%202024%2010%2014.pptx

A motion was made and seconded to approve this item. The motion was approved by voice vote without dissent or abstention.

- D. Teagle Grant Proposal: Pathways through the Liberal Arts General Education Curriculum
 - i. Presentation: Gary Schmidt, Dean of the College of Liberal Arts https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2024/Oct/ meeting/Teagle%20Presentation%20Faculty%20Senate%20Oct%202024.p ptx
 - ii. Abstract https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2024/Oct/meeting/Teagle%20Abstract%20for%20BOT.pdf
 - iii. Resolution in support of proposal (EC) https://www.wright.edu/sites/www.wright.edu/files/uploads/2024/Oct/meeting/Gen%20Ed%20Pathway%20Resolution 2024_R1.pdf

Dr. Wooley read out the resolution and asked for a motion to approve. A motion was made and seconded from the floor. The motion was approved by voice vote without dissent or abstention.

VII. New Business

- A. Policy 5080 Petition for Admission (GAPC)
 - i. Current interim policy https://policy.wright.edu/policy/5080-petition-admission
 - ii. Committee proposes reverting to April 2023 policy with minor addition
 - April 2023 policy with tracked change
 - Comparison with current interim policy

Dr. Wooley announced that the Executive Committee had asked the committee chair to supply clearer language for this proposal, and the language was displayed on screen. (see GAPC amendment)

A motion was made, seconded, and approved without dissent or abstention to adopt the new proposed language.

A motion was made, seconded, and approved to move this item to Old Business for the December 2024 meeting.

B. Policy 4245 – Integrated Writing Course Development and Approval (UAPC)

A motion was made, seconded, and approved without dissent or abstention to move this item to Old Business for the December 2024 meeting.

- VIII. Written Committee Reports and Minutes
 - A. Committee Minutes OneDrive

IX. Announcements

A. Fall 2024 Commencement

https://www.wright.edu/event/graduation-and-commencement-ceremony

- i. Ceremonies
 - Dayton Graduate 7:00pm, Friday, December 13
 - Dayton Undergraduate 10:00am, Saturday, December 14
- ii. Faculty Registration (October 28 November 25)

X. Adjournment

The next meeting is scheduled for 2:30pm, Monday, December 9, 2024.