I. Call to Order

II. Approval of Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting of April 22, 2013

III. President’s Opening Remarks

IV. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents

V. Faculty Senate Committee Reports
   A. None

VI. University Committee Reports
   A. None Scheduled

VII. Old Business

VIII. New Business
   A. Elect Faculty Senate President
   B. Elect Faculty Senate Secretary
   C. Nominate General Secretary to Faculty

IX. Information Items

X. Discussion Items

XI. Announcements

XII. Adjournment
Faculty Senate
Washburn University

Minutes of April 22, 2013
Kansas Room


I. The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:31 PM. Steve Angel presiding.

II. The minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting of April 8, 2013 were approved.

III. President’s Opening Remarks.
Angel commented to Senators that at the end of his two years as President, he see there is a strong correlation between the strength of the university and strong faculty governance. Angel thanks departing senators for their commitment and asked new senators for their commitment to continuing the work.

IV. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents: VP Roach reported that the last meeting of the WUBor was the consent agenda for appointments of emeriti and eminentes positions. Roach also remarked that the cost of the Morgan welcome center has increased.

V. Special Report from the Unit – Denise Ottinger, Vice President of Student Life.
VP Ottinger remarked that she would attempt to answer the question of who is student life? She remarked that in her 14th year, there was lots of construction going on when she started and it is now starting again. In the Student Life area, Ottinger highlighted the sections that support students, including Student Services with Jeanne Kessler, which deals with veterans and students with disabilities; MultiCultural Affairs with Dona Walker, Student Affairs which is Ottinger and Meredith Kidd, who serves as chief disciplinarian; Student Health and Wellness; Counseling Services, which is increasing the number of services offered; Career Services, which helps students find a career and explore careers while here; Student Activities and Greek Life, which deals with 120 different groups; Residential Living, which is looking at a feasibility study to explore additional housing on campus. Ottinger reminded everyone that SRWC will be celebrating their 10th anniversary next year.
Ottinger told senators she see Student Life as a partner to complement their classroom activities. This is especially important for 18-25 year olds and they try to help with the developmental process. She challenges her staff to identify where students are at when they get here and help; they are looking at an appropriate level of challenge and support.

VI. Report from the VPAA – Dr. Pembrook
Dr. Pembrook thanked everyone for attending the General Faculty meeting. He asked everyone to mark their calendars for August 17 at 7 pm for the Welcome Week Casino night. Student services is requesting faculty participation in welcoming students back to campus.
Pembrook provided an update on Morgan construction – Dr. Nancy Tate and CJ Crawford are working on classroom scheduling during construction. Dr. Pembrook also told senators they would like to create a permanent space to showcase faculty who have received scholarly, research and teaching excellence awards.
Dr. Pembrook also provided an update on the 2022 Visioning project. The regents had asked for it to be worked through in a year. It is now being put into a document format, and they are asking Dean’s to take it to faculty in the Fall of 2013 for input and include faculty comments in the final document.

VII. Faculty Senate Committee Reports –
A. Academic Affairs Committee Minutes of April 1, 2013 were accepted.

VIII. University Committee Minutes
A. Graduate Committee minutes from March 6, 2013 were accepted
B. Honors Advisory Committee Minutes of March 6, 2013 were accepted

IX. Old Business: none

X. New Business: Election of Officers for 2013-14
The following members were elected for the next academic year:
Shaun Schmidt (CAS) – President
Jennifer Ball (SOBu) – Vice President
Sarah Ubel (CAS) – Secretary
Bill Roach (SOBu) – Parliamentarian
Zach Frank – SAS representative to Exec committee
No members of the School of Law were present to appoint a rep.

XI. Discussion Items:
A. Dr. Pembrook asked new members to consider placing items that come from faculty senate on either the consent agenda or as a full discussion item for general faculty.

XII. Information Items: Mike Russell reminded members that the WTE Day of Transformation will be Friday April 26. There are 65 student poster presentations.

XIII. Adjournment – the meeting was adjourned at 4:07 pm