

**Faculty Senate
Washburn University**

*Minutes of November 30, 2009
Kansas Room, Memorial Union*

Present: Barker, Berry, Bowen (VPAA), Byrne, Croucher, Faulkner, Janzen, Kelly, Khan, Manske, Mazachek, McBeth, McGuire, Melick, Menzie, Ockree, Porta, Quinn, Ramirez, Rich, Routsong, Sharafy, Shaver, Sullivan, Unruh, Walker, Wynn

- A. The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:34 PM. Howard Faulkner (VP) presiding.
- B. The minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting of 16, 2009 were approved with correction.
- C. President's Opening Remarks.
There were no opening remarks
- D. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents.
 - A. Faulkner reported that there was no regularly scheduled Board of Regents meeting. A special meeting was held, in part through conference calls, to approve a WSGA proposal to bring in a speaker at a cost over the \$50,000 limit that would require Board approval. As funding sources and contingencies had been clearly laid out, and no costs would come from the university's general fund, the board approved the proposal. Announcement of the speaker will be made once final arrangements have been set.
- E. Faculty Senate Committee Reports.
 - A. Minutes from the Academic Affairs Committee meeting of November 11, 2009 were approved.
- F. University Committee Minutes.
 - A. Minutes from the Library Committee Meeting of November 5, 2009 were accepted.
 - B. Minutes from Faculty Development Grant Committee Meeting of September 21, 2009 were accepted.
 - C. Minutes from Program Review Committee Meeting of October 27, 2009 were accepted.
 - D. Minutes from Curriculum Development Committee Meeting of September 16, 2009 were accepted.
 - E. Minutes from Research Development Grant Committee Meeting of October 30, 2009 were accepted.

- G. Old Business.
 - A. (09-16) Joint Appointments. The motion was passed.

- H. New Business.
 - A. Occupational Therapy Assistant Program Proposal was approved.
 - B. Transfer Committee Recommendations : the Faculty Senate voted 15 for, 7 against, and 4 abstentions to accept the transfer committee motion to remove PE 198 as a university required course.
 - C. 09-18 Status of No Confidence Motion was moved to second reading with modifications.

- I. Information Items. There were none.

- J. Discussion Items. Faculty Senators discussed the reasons behind textbook buyback beginning this week, and expressed concern that students would not have books available for finals. The FS discussed inviting Kay Farley and Karen Miller to a meeting to discuss the the timing,

- K. Announcements. The Faculty Senate Strategic Planning Ad Hoc committee will meet Wednesday, December 4th from 4-5pm in the Thomas Room.

- L. Adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 PM.

- M. The next meeting is scheduled for **Monday, December 14 at 3:30 pm** in the Kansas Room, Memorial Union.