

**Faculty Senate
Washburn University**

*Minutes of February 14, 2011
Kansas Room, Memorial Union*

Present: Arterburn, Barker, Bird, Blank, Catanzaro, Croucher, Dodge, Fernengel, Griffin, Jacobs, Janzen, Kelly, Lunte, Mazachek, Melick, Ockree, Pembroke (VPAA), Pilgram, Roach, Routsong, Sanchez, Sharafy, Shaver, Sheldon, Tate (AVPAA), Wagner, Weigand, Wohl

- A. The meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 3:30 PM. Russ Jacobs presiding.
- B. The minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting of January 24, 2011 were approved.
- C. President's Opening Remarks.
President Jacobs introduced and welcomed Mary Pilgram, Humanities, and Ron Griffin, Law as new representatives to the faculty senate.
- D. Report from the Faculty Representatives to the Board of Regents
Jacobs reported that the BoR met on January 26 and approved 10 sabbaticals for faculty members. The BoR also approved the contiguous states recruitment proposal, which allows in-state tuition for students from Nebraska, Missouri, Colorado, Oklahoma and Texas. The BoR tabled the budget planning document until the next meeting. The document included a \$1.1 million offset of health insurance increases. There was concern over revenues.
VP Roach also commented that the 2% increase for faculty and staff seemed to disappear when the state projected a 7.5% decrease to their agencies. There seems to be a significant number of regents opposed to a tuition increase.
- E. Faculty Senate Committee Reports – there were no reports. Bill Roach gave a short report on the activities of the electoral committee, which is preparing for an at-large election for one position. At this time, there has been very little response to the call for self-nomination. The nominations are due 2/23. The election will be held the week after spring break.
- F. University Committee Minutes
 - a. Minutes of the Honors Advisory Committee meeting of November 3, 2010 were accepted.
- G. Old Business. – no old business reported.
- H. New Business – no new business reported
- I. Information Items – no items

- J. Discussion Items -
Faculty senators were asked to review the draft faculty agenda document to standardize submissions to AAC, FAC, and the Faculty Senate. After discussion, the document was referred to the executive committee for revisions and approval.
- K. Announcements –There were no announcements.
- L. Adjournment: the meeting was adjourned at 3:59 pm