

**Washburn University
Meeting of the Faculty Senate
December 3, 2018
3:00 PM – Forum Room, BTAC**

Present:

Ball (J), Barker, Beatie, Byrne, Cook (S), Erby, Grant (Erin), Hickman, Jackson, Jones, Krug, Mansfield, Mazachek, Memmer, Menager, Menninger-Corder, Morse, Prash, Ricklefs, Sheldon, Smith, Thor, Todwong, Wasserstein, Watson, Wilson, Wohl

Absent:

Cook (M), Fredrickson, Grant (Emily), Jolicoeur, Pierce, Steffen, Tso, Worsley

Guests:

Ball (A), Liedtke

- I. Call to Order 3:04**
- II. Approved the minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting of November 5, 2018.**
- III. President's Opening Remarks**
 - **No WUBOR report as the next meeting is this Friday.**
 - **Consensual relationship issues being discussed at KU now. We were of the first to get this done.**
 - **Emails versus Workplace. FS mixed in terms of who likes Workplace. There is a committee on whether to keep Workplace or just use allfacultystaff emails. There is a person who has been asked to join. If they will not, Erby and Morse have volunteered to join. Wohl was concerned about the way in which we tell people about important events if we get rid of the allfacultystaff email, as not everyone is on the Workplace application.**
 - **Graduation is December 14th at 6:30. Be there in robes a little after six. Consider attending even if not participating.**
 - **Union lunches on Fridays with Barker again this Friday.**
- IV. Report from the Faculty Representative to the Board of Regents: none**
- V. VPAA Update—Dr. JuliAnn Mazachek**
 - **Encouraged to attend graduation. Thor mentioned issues regarding ordering regalia for “hooders” and “marshalls.” Ball also mentioned that there were no emails sent out regarding “marshalls” and “assistant marshalls.”**
 - **At the WUBOR meeting this Friday there will be focus on diversity and inclusion. Dempsey-Swopes, Burdick, and Erby will be there to present.**
 - **There was a State of Education event in Topeka. The concurrent enrollment program and other programs involving students in Topeka are appreciated by those in the community. High school students starting with freshmen this year will be getting individual plans of study starting their freshman year to prep for technical school or university. This is in hopes to better prepare them for their**

experiences post-graduation. Thor had a question about how the advising will cross from HS to WU. There have been a number of students who have taken courses at Tech and come here thinking that things will transfer (e.g. graphics and graphic design) but they don't and people have been upset (student and parents). Mazachek stated that this is the first year for the four year advising process in HS, but it is a good point to create this pathway so everyone is aware of what will and what will not count towards their education.

- A Title III Grant / Strengthening Institutions Grant was received from federal government for 1.6 million dollars to enhance advising and help at risk students be more successful. This touches on enhancing math efforts and CTEL opportunities. There is a group rewriting the grant to adjust the budget and outcomes. The current PI is in center for student success and retention and will likely be hired as the project manager for the grant. This has led to a discovery that the university may need to update the internal grant approval process to include those from all involved departments / affected departments in terms of signing off. Cook (S) asked about where the group is in the revision process. Mazachek stated that the project manager will be hired when we get back in January. Math will be a part of the revision and updates to the Title III Grant. Cook (S) has been involved in a revision of the University internal grant approval form and wanted to be sure what words to use in the paper work, which was confirmed to be units. Barker mentioned there had been rumors around campus about advising and curriculum due to this grant. He wanted to reassure that everyone is fine.

VI. Faculty Senate Committee Reports: none

- Mazachek mentioned that faculty affairs will be receiving a document from faculty handbook soon regarding the termination policy. This should take place in January and might take multiple meetings.
- Barker mentioned that the next meeting of FS will be first Monday in February.

VII. University Committee Reports:

- Receipt of General Education Committee Minutes from October 24, 2018. Barker was confused about the formatting of the meeting minutes. Turns out this was an issue with reformatting to PDF and will be updated before it is placed on the website.
- Receipt of Academic Diversity and Inclusion Committee Minutes from September 11, 2018. Questions from Byrne about notes from these meetings. There had been discussion about an inclusivity statement being requested from future hires. Erby said this had not been put into place yet. The only thing coming out of those meetings that affect hiring, according to Mazachek, is a revised EEO statement. If they do include the requirement of an inclusivity statement at some point, it will come through FS. The minutes are being brought here because their work is going to affect the university. We don't particularly have to include the notes in FS, but transparency it is best. Barker thinks it's good because it does potentially affect everyone. Erby also mentioned the notes are on the website.

- Receipt of Academic Diversity and Inclusion Committee Minutes from October 9, 2018.

VIII. Old Business: None

IX. New Business: None

X. Information Items:

- Modification to Bachelor of Science in Technology Administration needs to go to the academic affairs. This should have first gone through academic affairs and will be sent over.

XI. Discussion Items:

- **Chartwells:** Barker says there is an issue with them charging quite a bit. Student groups are overcharged for pizza and pop. Thor says that it is hard, too, as parents would like to bring snacks to art openings. Memmer said with HICEPs, we cannot bring people to campus and feed them as it is unaffordable. Wasserstein has had many ask to have this come to FS. Her own department no longer does a dinner with the faculty as the price is prohibitive. Last week, English had a small event. Their order of 27 cupcakes, chips, salsa, guacamole, a gallon of coffee, and a gallon of infused ice water cost \$213.30. Ball states that they are good at what they do, food is good, but not for the price. Their lunches, however, are competitive for places in the area. Morse stated that 89 percent of her events are food costs from Chartwells. Cook (S) states that the buffets are cool but maybe the costs are due to the portion sizes being far too much. Byrne asked about the contract being open record. Mazachek says that it is public record. The contract is rolling as they have a ten year contract that was reset when Lincoln opened due to their investment in the kitchens. Last year, Chartwells lost money and WU had to pay them to make up the losses. This has to do with enrollment being down as well. Ball mentioned that it is important to talk about this regardless of the contract. We need more faculty input. Jackson was wondering how much the catering is balancing all the other services they offer. Wohl mentioned that these complaints came up last time the contract was renewed – has anyone ever mentioned it to them? Mazacheck confirmed that it has been mentioned and it is good to have in our notes so they can be brought up in the future meetings with Chartwells. Wasserstein also noted that vegetarians and vegans have a hard time eating there. More so, vegans for catering it may be an issue. We need to have an influence on having food for the students. Wohl stated that Lincoln Hall has good options for all at a reasonable price for buffet. Barker, as a faculty advisor for clubs, believes it is unjust to force them to buy less quality food from Chartwells.
- Barker mentioned that Benton, Henderson, and Mabee have issues with elevators. Beatie and Wilson reported that facilities people moving furniture were stuck in the elevator last week. Wilson stated that the Mabee elevator is new, too. There has been major preventative work done, so why the issues? Morse and Prasch stated that the elevator in Henderson is at a crisis point. You can tell when it is getting there as the elevators are starting to move slowly.

Barker mentioned the ADA issues at Carnegie. Costs to fix this would have been six million dollars.

- **Krug was asked about the senior lecturer position. That is on Mazachek's desk now and will be starting in January. Smith asked for clarification. Mazachek can look into eight or nine people per year who have been here for ten years to be promoted to this position.**

XII. Announcements

- **Prasch will be showing, "The Dreamers," a movie about sex and cinema in 1968 French Revolution, on Wednesday December 4th in HE 204 at 7pm.**
- **Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure will be shown next week.**

XIII. Adjournment 4:00