Washburn University General Faculty Minutes March 9, 2022

I. CALL TO ORDER

Dr. Farley called the meeting to order at 3:30 via Zoom.

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A motion was made (Barker) and seconded (Morse) to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2022 General Faculty Meeting. The minutes were approved.

III. REMARKS

From the President

- Tax changes are on our side. There is still a potential for a salary program, to include a five percent raise. It may still be difficult to complete the program, but with the 1.5 million added to the budget for a total of 14 million dollars, it is hopeful.
- KBOR provided funding for campus maintenance. Next academic year with be the first of the three to six years it will take to distribute for a number of projects.

From the Vice President for Academic Affairs

- Graduating approximately 800 students this year; this is the biggest that we have had in a long time.
- KBOR is still discussing a general education package. There is not yet a formal policy; this is still going through committee. Not likely to be completed this semester.
- Grateful for the kind words regarding the difficult decision to take a new position elsewhere. Mazachek trusts she is leaving things in the best hands.
- We will not be doing any slowing down this semester as she leaves the position.

IV. NEW BUSINESS

22-5 Proposal to change university mathematics general education requirement

- The university core mathematics course will no longer show MA112 or MA116 and instead will show MA112. This will make the process more streamline.
 Higher level MA courses will still populate in place of the core requirements if student does not take MA112.
 - Currently an ACT score of 28 has met the MA core university requirements; an ACT of 22 is the required prerequisite for MA112 and MA116. If a student earns a 19 or 20, they are unable to enroll in MA116.

- Wohl: suggested that reducing the score to meet the MA core requirements to 22 from 28. Details regarding general education and core requirements will need to be changed in the catalog, as the core is not part of general education, and therefore MA116 is not in the system as such.
- Ball: currently MA116 counts for a general education course in Natural Sciences
 when the student has also taken MA112. The current system requires the
 auditors to make this adjustment and is being changed in the system. In
 agreement that there are program changes needed other than language, but not
 in this setting. This will require another proposal.
- Byrne: concerned that the move from 28 to 22 may end with a proposal in the future to change it back; there are some programs do require MA116
 - Wagner: courses with MA prerequisites already have this included in navigate.
- Cook provided a documentation of proposed language changes not included in the materials distributed for the meeting.
 - The language changes were approved.
- The motion to change university MA requirements carried.

V. ANNOUNCEMENTS

• Thanks to Dr. Mazachek from the campus community (Morse); she has been a champion for equity, transparency, and shared governance.

VI. ADJOURNMENT

• The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 pm.