

## ACADEMIC SENATE MINUTES

**DATE:** January 12, 2012

**PRESENT:** Scott Murray  
Sandie Rietz  
Craig McKenzie  
Keith Edgerton  
Mark Hardt  
Patricia Vettel-Becker  
Marsha Riley (ex-officio)  
Stacy Klippenstein (ex-officio)

Stephen Eliason  
Susan Gilbertz  
David Gurchiek  
Doug Brown  
Bruce Brumley  
Diane Duin (ex-officio)  
Mark Pagano (ex-officio)

**ABSENT:** Don Larsen\*  
Tasneem Khaleel (ex-officio)\*  
Mary Susan Fishbaugh (ex-officio)\*  
\* *excused*

Paul Bauer\*  
Tim Wilkinson (ex-officio)  
Terrie Iverson (ex-officio)

**GUESTS:** Cheri Johannes  
Lisa Kemmerer  
Russ Lord

Becky Lyons  
Susan Gregory  
Mike Campbell

**PRESIDING:** Bruce Brumley, Chair

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Bruce Brumley called the meeting to order at 3:43 p.m. in McMullen 305.

The minutes of December 1 were accepted as presented.

The agenda was modified to add the University Budget Committee as a Discussion/Action Item.

### I. ITEMS – FIRST READING

**Item 16** SPED 502 Research in Special Programs. Change rubric to remove crosslisting with RD 502 and EC 502 and change course description.

**Item 23** EC 502 Research in Special Programs. Change rubric to remove crosslisting with RD 502 and SPED 502.

**Item 23.a** RD 502 Research in Special Programs. Change rubric to remove crosslisting with EC 502 and SPED 502.

⇒ Motion by Scott Murray, seconded by Dave Gurchiek to **approve Items 16, 23, and 23.a on first reading.**

⇒ Motion carried.

⇒ Motion by Keith Edgerton, seconded by Doug Brown to **waive second reading of Items 16, 23, and 23.a.**

⇒ Motion carried.

**Item 18** MEd School Counseling Option (K-12) OPI Licensure & State Licensure Opportunity. Modification to an existing program.

**Item 18.a** SCOU/REHA 504 Career and Lifestyle Development. Change rubric to remove REHA crosslisting and change course description.

**Item 18.b** SCOU/REHA 505 Theories of Counseling. Change rubric to remove REHA crosslisting and change course description.

**Item 18.c** SCOU/REHA 520 Group and Individual Evaluation. Change rubric to remove REHA crosslisting.

**Item 18.d** SCOU/REHA 557 Group Process: Theory and Practice. Change rubric to remove REHA crosslisting.

⇒ Motion by Keith Edgerton, seconded by Scott Murray to **approve Items 18 through 18.d on first reading.**

⇒ Motion carried.

⇒ Motion by Keith Edgerton, seconded by Sandie Rietz to **waive second reading of Items 18 through 18.d.**

⇒ Motion carried.

**Item 20** HHP 500 Research in Exercise and Sport Science. New course.

**Item 20.a** HHP 501 Survey of Exercise and Sport Science. New course.

⇒ Motion by Mark Hardt, seconded by Keith Edgerton to **approve Items 20 and 20.a on first reading.**

⇒ Motion carried.

It was noted that HHP 500 replaces a course that is taught by the College of Education. The Senate was unsure discussion had taken place between CAHP and COE, so second reading will be held at the next Senate meeting.

## II. ITEMS FOR INFORMATION

**Item 25** AAS in Administrative Assistant. Modification to an existing program.

⇒ Motion by Mark Hardt, seconded by Scott Murray to **accept Item 25 for information.**

⇒ Motion carried.

**Item 27** MS in Sport, Recreation and Fitness Management. Placing program on moratorium. For information only.

⇒ Motion by Mark Hardt, seconded by Susan Gilbertz to **accept Item 27 for information.**

There are currently no students in this program.

⇒ Motion carried.

**Item 28** Emeritus Nomination: Patricia Holman, Department of Business Administration, College of Business. For information.

⇒ Motion by Scott Murray, seconded by Doug Brown to **accept Item 28 for information.**

⇒ Motion carried.

## III. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Sandie Rietz reported that Provost Council met this week and discussed the status of several committees as well as enrollment reports, which Dr. Pagano can cover. They also had an opportunity to reflect on their experience with the discrimination training, which was required of everyone, offered this week. Perhaps the Senate could have a discussion about the law and the fuzzy areas not covered by the law. Knowing the law is one thing, and what actually happens is another. Human Resources is prepared to get an expert to talk to us if we are interested.

## IV. PROVOST REPORT

Dr. Pagano reported that the search for the COB is underway. The search committee for the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Learning position proposed that “assessment” be added to that title, so it was and the search is now underway.

The reorganization committee has recommended that Graduate Studies and Grants & Sponsored Programs be combined under one director or Vice Provost.

The Assessment and Accreditation Committee met to discuss our NWCCU report which came in mid-December. It was not glowing, but we didn't fail either. They said we are moving on the issues identified after the 2008 visit, all colleges need to get their assessment raised to the same level, and our mission statement is good but needs to be publicized better.

MSUB Downtown is being directed in the interim by John Walsh. They are moving toward the "extended campus" idea.

In the Chancellor's Executive Budget meeting, it was agreed that how we handle indirect costs for grants is not really set up all that well. There is a group working on that issue.

Equipment fee requests were discussed and although we had \$950,000 worth of requests, we only have about \$600,000 to spend. We narrowed down the choices and they must be approved by the student government and the BOR.

The Deans are also working on prioritizing funding, and Dr. Pagano will have more to share on that later.

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The question was raised as to what is happening with the MPA program. There is apparently a proposal going to the BOR, but Senate has not heard about it.

It was noted that several years ago it was decided that we should take over the joint MPA program and run it ourselves, without Bozeman. However, no paperwork was done to make this decision official. We are going to the March BOR meeting with a proposal to sever the joint Bozeman program and move it to MSUB. Dr. Pagano noted that he moved forward with the proposal because it has been talked about since before he arrived.

It was cited that there are issues with proper procedure being followed, as well as faculty not being interested and not being involved in the development of the program. The history of the program, including Senate's rejection and the subsequent override by the Chancellor to offer the program, were discussed.

Cheri Johannes, Registrar, noted that it's quite difficult to get students' graduation paperwork processed for this program. Since it is jointly offered, faculty from Bozeman as well as Billings must sign off. However, Bozeman's funding for their end of the deal has dropped over the years, and recently she was told by a Bozeman faculty member that they no longer offer the program jointly with us. Students were annoyed with the time it was taking to get their graduation paperwork and took their issues to President Cruzado.

It was noted that if there are no faculty actively involved with the program, perhaps it's one of those things we could cut in favor of moving funding to a more active program.

It was proposed that we go through with the BOR paperwork to no longer offer the MPA jointly with Bozeman, and if we are successful, then we can have a *faculty* discussion about how to revise the program. Dr. Pagano noted that he will no doubt have to argue for the uniqueness of the program and give reasons why we should be allowed to offer an MPA in addition to Missoula and Bozeman.

## V. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

### A. Late Drop Policy

Cheri Johannes explained that there are two terms involved: drop and withdraw. Students can drop a course or courses, but remain enrolled in at least one other course. Students who wish to drop all their courses and depart entirely are considered withdrawals.

After discussion, it was agreed the Senate should review the Late Drop policy. Students should not be allowed to drop a course near the end of the semester.

### B. University Budget Committee

The University Budget Committee will begin meeting in February. Two Senators are asked to sit on this committee. Patricia Vettel-Becker and Susan Gilbertz agreed to attend the meetings.

The meeting adjourned at 5:03 p.m.

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