Minutes of the CHAS Senate
October 20, 2014, 3:30 p.m.
Dean’s Conference Room CAC

Members present:
Doely (Art), Tamplin (Biology), Weeks (Chemistry & Biochemistry), (Communication Studies), Garrett (Communication Sciences & Disorders), East (Computer Science), Czarnetzki (Earth Science), Vanderwall (Languages & Literatures), Wood (Mathematics), (Music), Lahroodi (Philosophy & World Religions), Morgan (Physics), Ophus (Science Education), Greenhaigh (Technology), Parrott (Theatre), Haack (Dean)

1. Call to Order
   • At 3:30 pm by Chair Morgan.

2. Approval of Minutes from September 29, 2014 — Motion by Vanderwall Czarnetzki; approved with minor changes

3. Announcements
   • Dean Haack: TIER on hold; Curriculum process revision is continuing. The small window for Senate review not deemed a problem.
   • Other/Rick Vanderwall: (Iowa) Department of Education initiatives and Teacher Education Program: Concern voiced that such things as EdTPA usage is being implemented without Secondary Teacher Ed. involvement

4. Old Business
   • Election of CHAS representative to University committees and University Faculty Senate
     • Review of election results
       Considerable discussion occurred concerning the difference between non-CHAS views about eligibility and Bylaws of CHAS Faculty, particularly concerning renewable term faculty. Apparently, no other body has explicit rules about who may (not) serve on committees. Consensus was to let balloting stand with one exception. Berendzen (Biology) cannot serve as Graduate Council rules do not allow multiple representatives from same department. Motion by Weeks/Woods to approve Sadik Kucuksari as CHAS representative to Graduate Council; approved without dissent.
     • Discussion of election procedures
     • Proposed changes to curriculum review
       • Annual cycle
         Discussion occurred; nothing particular to report.
       • Paper form and CourseLeaf data entry
         Again, discussion occurred but no particular outcome/consensus was apparent.
       • Consultations
         Again, discussion occurred but no particular outcome/consensus was apparent.
     • Communications with departments RE Senate procedure and expectations
       Discussion occurred; one conclusion was that departments need to attach consultations’ results to curriculum package. Additionally, motion by Vanderwall/Doely to form ad hoc committee to develop curriculum guidelines for departments; passed without dissent. Morgan, Vanderwall, & East
volunteered for the ad hoc committee.

5. New Business
   • Proposed revisions/clarifications to the bylaws
     • Clarifications of election procedures
       Chair Morgan identified two problematic elements of the bylaws
       ▪ Section 7.3 merely indicates that the Senate arrange for elections to University committees. Perhaps we should we add more detail
       ▪ Section 5.3 indicates that the Vice Chair of the Senate is to be elected from voting members. Ophus (the current Vice Chair) is not a voting member of the Senate
       Discussion occurred with a consensus that we may wish to examine the bylaws for possible change but that we should probably follow the bylaws until they are changed.
   • Officers of the Senate
     ▪ (As Senate Bylaws indicate the officers must voting members of the Senate, Ophus cannot serve) Motion by Wood/ Czarnetzki to elect Jeff Tamplin as Vice Chair; passed without dissent.
   • Other revisions
     (none suggested)

   • Additional new business
     (none proposed)

6. Adjournment — Motion by Garrett/Vanderwall; approved without dissent