

Oakland University Senate Minutes

February 19, 2015 Minutes

Members present: Aloï, Andersen, Andrews, Awbrey, Baxa, Berven, D., Berven, K., Cheng, E., Clark, Cole, Corcoran, Dulio, Dvir, Eis, Estes, Goldberg, Groomes, Iwanski, Johnson, Knox, Leibert, Lentini, Mazzeo, McEneaney, McGinnis, Meinberg, Miller, Mitchell, Moore, Navin, Polis, Ragheb, Rozek, Schartman, Roth, Sifonis, Spagnuolo, Switzer, Thompson, Wells, Westergaard

Members absent: Bulgarelli, Chamra, Corso, Dereski, Doman, Folberg, Giblin, Grimm, Guessous, Howell, Landolt, Latcha, Lee, Licker, Maxfield, Pelfrey, Penprase, Rawashdeh, Singhal, Tracy, Wharton, Williams

Provost Lentini called the meeting to order at 3:10 P.M.

Summary of Information and Action Items

Information Items

Proposal to Revise the Teaching and Learning Committee Educational Development Grant

Program modifications approved by UCUI:

Name Change of Quantitative Methods minor to Business Analytics and update curriculum, Department of

Decision and Information Sciences, SBA;

Change total number of credit hours for program in Operations Management minor;

Two new minors in Relational Communication, and Interactive and Social Media (CAS Department of

Communication and Journalism);

New minor in LGBTQ Studies (CAS Women and Gender Studies)

Name change for Occupational Safety and Health to Environmental Health and Safety

Action Items

NEW BUSINESS

Motion from the School of Business Administration to approve the revised Constitution of the School of Business

INFORMATION ITEMS

Provost Lentini updated the Senate on the following informational items:

- The Teaching and Learning Committee has proposed revising the Teaching and Learning Committee Educational Development Grant.

- Program modifications approved by UCUI; Curriculum updates and a name change of the Quantitative Methods minor to Business Analytics, in the Department of Decision and Information Sciences (SBA); Change in the total number of credit hours for the minor in Operations Management (Department of Decision and Information Sciences (SBA)); Two new minors in the CAS Department of Communication and Journalism: Relational communication, and Interactive and Social Media; New minor in LGBTQ Studies (Women and Gender Studies, CAS).
- Occupational Safety and Health is changing its name to Environmental Health and Safety.

Provost's Updates

- Provost Lentini announced that the Medical School had achieved the LCME Accreditation, and there was a round of applause for this accomplishment. Mr. Polis asked if the Medical School has research going on because he recalled that when the Medical School was begun, research was going to be a part of it. Mr. Lentini said that we need to think what direction the research in the Medical School will take, but he noted that this was not the focus of the LCME accreditation.
- Mr. Lentini thanked Ms. Awbrey and Mr. Crabill for a very successful Student Success Conference that was attended by 450 people.
- He then provided a search update on searches in the following areas: Graduate Education, VP for Enrollment Management, Dean of the Library, and in the School of Education where they are close to a final offer.
- He updated the Senate on Mr. Hynd's upcoming trip to Lansing where he and the other university presidents in Michigan will each have 5-10 minutes to talk to the legislature about their institution. Mr. Lentini observed that there has been a 2% increase for higher education, and again tuition is being capped at 2.8%. He said that there are challenges ahead as to how to manage with these aspects of the budget.
- He then provided a brief update on the efforts going on between the city of Pontiac and Oakland University to create initiatives and partnerships that will benefit both.

A. APPROVAL OF MINUTES of January 15, 2015

The minutes of the minutes of January 15, 2015 were approved (Goldberg, Polis).

B. NEW BUSINESS

1. **MOTION** from the School of Business Administration to approve the revised Constitution of the
School of Business

MOVED that the Senate approve the revised Constitution of the School of Business (Andrews, McEneaney).

This was the first reading of the motion. There was no discussion.

C. GOOD AND WELFARE

Tricia Westergaard reminded Senate members that midterm grades are due, with the deadline February 20. Also, she announced that the Schedule of Classes is now available. She also gave a plug from the AP Assembly that they will be having a talent show, and she wanted to encourage people with talent to come and participate.

D. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 3:40 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,
Dikka Berven (secretary)