

Oakland University Senate

April 11, 2013

Members present: *Aigbedo, Awbrey, Berven, D., Berven K., Chamra, Clason, Connery, Condic, Doman, Dulio, Dvir, Eis, Estes, Folberg, Frick, Fu, Graetz, Grimm, Grossman, Hoffman, Johnson, Latcha, Leibert, LeMarbe, Miller, Pickard, Polis, Rammel, Reger, Roth, Schartman, Sethi, Shablin, Solomonson, Stano, Stein, Thompson, Thor, Tiegs*

Members absent: *Barber, Bee, Dalton, Dunn, Gallien, Gamble, Giberson, Giblin, Grobbel, Hightower, Hoag, Jhashi, Lauer, Lim, Meehan, Mourdjian, Riley-Doucet, Russell, Schuiling, Schweitzer, Tanniru, Taschereau, Williams, Wood, Zhang*

Summary of Actions

Information Items

Program modifications approved by Graduate Council to the following:

Master of Education in Special Education (concentrations in Specific Learning Disability (SLD), Emotional Impairment (EI), the dual concentration of SLD And EI, addendum specifying exit options for each concentration

Master of Teaching Leadership

New Certificate Program: Certificate in Central Office Administration School of Education and Human Services

Provost's Updates

Old Business

Motion from the University Committee on Undergraduate Instruction (UCUI) and the General Education Committee (GEC) to adopt the Revised IB Policy International Baccalaureate credit for General Education courses

New Business

Procedural Motion to staff Senate Standing Committees (Ms. Condic, Ms. Thompson)

Interim Provost Susan Awbrey called the meeting to order at 3:10 P.M.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Interim Provost Awbrey informed Senate members about program modifications and programs that had been approved by Graduate Council, as follows:

Master of Education in Special Education (concentrations in Specific Learning Disability (SLD), Emotional Impairment (EI), the dual concentration of SLD and EI, Di and addendum specifying exit options for each concentration; Master of Leadership Education; New Certificate Program in Central Office Administration School of Education and Human Services.

A. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF March 21, 2013

The March 21, 2013 minutes were approved.

B. OLD BUSINESS

1. Motion from the University Committee on Undergraduate Instruction (UCUI) and the General Education Committee (GEC) to adopt the Revised IB Policy International Baccalaureate credit for General Education Courses

MOVED that the Senate approve the draft Revised IB Policy granting general education credit to students earning the International Baccalaureate Diploma as approved and recommended by the GEC on January 28, 2013 and by UCUI on February 25, 2013

The motion was approved.

C. NEW BUSINESS

1. Procedural Motion to staff Senate Standing Committees

MOVED that the persons listed be appointed to the committees designated (Condic, Thompson)

Academic Computing Committee

Continuing Faculty Members

Campoy-Cubillo, Adolfo, (CAS) 2012-2014, **CHAIR**

Doherty, Deborah (SHS) 2012-2014

Wharton, TJ (SBA) 2012-2014

Mitton, Ken (ERI) 2012-2014

New Appointees

Carr, Doug (CAS) 2013-2015

Ganesan, Subraman (SECS) 2013-2015

McEaney, John, (SEHS) 2013-2015

Steffy, Dan (CAS) 2013-2015

Finch, Meghan (KL) 2013- 2015

Academic Conduct Committee

Continuing Faculty Members

Hoffman, Fred (SBA) 2012-2014, **CHAIR**

Kietlinska, Kasia (CAS) 2012-2014

Dorko, Lori (SBA) 2012-2014
Dalton, Lisa (CAS) 2012- 2014
Dinda, Sumit (SHS) 2012-2014
Liptak, Laszlo (CAS) 2012-2014
McDaniel, Baily (CAS) 2012-2014

New Appointees

Nakao, Seigo (CAS) 2013-2015
Switzer, Annie (KL) 2013-2015
Wells, Caryn (SEHS) 2013-2015
Zou, Beth (SECS) 2013-2015
Berishaj, Kelly (SON) 2013-2015
Ko, Kent (SECS) 2013-2015
Dantzler, Drake (CAS) 2013-2015
Burgess-Proctor, Amanda (CAS) 2013-2015

Academic Standing and Honors Committee

Continuing Faculty Members

Hanna, Darrin (SECS) 2012-2014
Ring, Dan (KL) 2012-2014

New Appointees

Navin, Mark (CAS) 2013-2015
Cheng, Eddie (CAS) 2013-2015 **CHAIR**
Jiang, Joy (SBA) 2013-2015

Assessment Committee

Continuing Faculty Members

Mouradjian, Marilyn (SON) 2011-2014
Tardella, Sally (CAS) 2012-2015
Joyce, Barbara (SOM) 2012-2015
Kobus, Chris (SECS) 2012-2015
Nehmer, Rob (SBA) 2012-2015 **CHAIR**
Hildebrand, Linda (KL) 2012-2015
Cassano, Graham (CAS) 2012-2015
Nielsen, Kuniko (CAS) 2013-2015 (2-year replacement approved 1/17/13)

New Appointees

Craig, Mary (At-Large-CAS) 2013-2016
Kristin, Landis-Piwowar (SHS) 2013-2014 (one-year replacement)
McNair, Shannon (SEHS) 2013-2016

Open (1)

(At-Large) 2013-2014 (unfilled from previous year)

Athletics Committee

Continuing Faculty Members

Dulio, Dave (CAS) 2011-2014

Saliga,Sue (SHS) 2012-2015
Hawthorne-Burdine, Dorothy (SON) 2012-2015

New Appointees

Majeske, Karl (SBA) 2013-2016

Budget Review Committee

Continuing Faculty Members

Dinda, Sumi (SHS) 2011-2014
Dvir, Arik (CAS)2011-2014 **CHAIR**
Baillargeon, Claude (CAS) 2012-2015
Moran, Sean (CAS) 2012-2015

New Appointees

Debnath, Debatosh (SECS) 2013-2016
Penprase, Barb (SON) 2013-2016

Campus Development and Environment Committee

Continuing Faculty Members

Corso, John (CAS) 2012-2014 **CHAIR**
Kasdan, Dave (CAS) 2012-2014

New Appointees

Hristova, Mariela (KL) 2013-2015
Serota, Kim (SBA) 2013-2015
Tiegs, Scott (CAS) 2013-2015

General Education Committee

Continuing Faculty Members

Hitt, Ann (CAS) 2011-2014 **CHAIR**
Thor, Jennifer (SBA) 2011-2014
Liedka, Ray (CAS) 2012-2015
Lehfeldt, Lynnae (CAS) 2012-2015
Meyers, Erin (CAS) 2012-2015
Yu, Yin (SBA) 2012-2015

New Members

Matthews, Don (CAS) 2013-2014 (one-year replacement)
Andersen, Walli (CAS) 2013-2014 (one-year replacement)
Anderson, Rob (CAS) 2013-2016
Guessous, Laila (SECS) 2013-2016
Oakley, Barb (SECS) 2013-2016
Tierney, Deborah (SON) 2013-2016

Honorary Degree Committee.

Continuing Faculty Members

Palmer-Mehta, Valerie (CAS) 2011-2014

Pisharodi, Rommohan (SBA) 2011-2014
Drouin, Jackie (SHS) 2012-2015
Shackelford, Todd (CAS) 2012-2015

New Appointees

Polis, Mike (SECS) 2013-2016
Schiele, Joseph (SBA) 2013-2016

Library Committee

Continuing Faculty Members

Black, Beth (SHS) 2012-2014
Daniel, Dominique (KL) 2012-2014
Gilson, Annie (CAS-Language & Literatures) 2012-2014
Guessous, Laila (SECS) 2012-2014
Khain, Evgheny (CAS-Math/Sciences) 2012-2014
Kramer, Beth (KL) 2012-2014
Poly-Droulard, Linda (SON) 2012-2014
Quinn, Jim (SEHS) 2012-2014 **CHAIR**

New

Fu, Liang (SBA) 2013-2015
Switzer, Anne (KL) 2013-2015
Greer, Katie (KL) 2013-2015
Ragheb, Samia (SOM) 2013-2015
Thayer, Jonutz (CAS-Humanities) 2013-2015

Open (1)

(CAS-Social Sciences) 2013-2015

Planning Review Committee

Continuing Faculty Members

Licker, Paul (SBA) 2011-2014
Townsend, Janell (SBA) 2011-2014
Williams, Lynne (SHS) 2011-2014 **CHAIR**
Ramen, Lakshmi (CAS) 2012-2015

New Appointee

Whitehead, Vagner (CAS) 2013-2016

Open (1)

(Membership open but SECS, SON, KL, or SOM preferred for committee balance) 2013-2016

Research Committee

Continuing Faculty Members

Brown, Miles (CAS) 2012-2014
Lucarelli, Jennifer (SHS) 2012-2014

New Appointees

Aigbedo, Henry (SBA) 2013-2015
Clason, Chris (CAS) 2013-2015 **CHAIR**
Condic, Kris (KL) 2013-2015
McGinnis, Deb (CAS) 2013-2015

Wang, Xia (SECS) 2013-2015
Wells, Caryn (SEHS) 2013-2014 (one-year replacement)

Student Academic Support Committee

Continuing Faculty Members

Markel, Karen (SBA) 2011-2014 **CHAIR**
Saenz-Roby, Cecilia (CAS) 2012-2015
Wigent, Catherine (SEHS) 2012-2015

New Appointees

Pickett, Scott (CAS) 2013-2016
Vallie, Stephanie (SON) 2013-2016
Wendell, Doug (CAS) 2013-2016

Teaching and Learning Committee (3 Vacancies, membership open, 3-year terms)

Continuing Faculty Members

Allar, Greg (CAS) 2012-2014
Govind, Chhabi (CAS) 2012-2014 **CHAIR**
Rutledge, Amy (SBA) 2012-2014

New Appointees (Committee size and term increased by Senate Action; to stagger terms, 3 new appointees appointed for 2 year term and 3 appointed for 3 year term)

Bee, Mary (SOM) 2013-2015
Holka, Kim (SON) 2013-2015
Walwema, Josie (CAS) 2013-2015
Carver, Cynthia (SEHS) 2013-2016
Cheezum, Rebecca (SHS) 2013-2016
Greer, Katie (KL) 2013-2016

University Committee on Undergraduate Instruction

Continuing Faculty Members

Bhatt, Bhushan (SECS) 2011-2014
Evans, Susan (CAS- Humanities) 2011-2014
Insko, Jeff (CAS- Language & Literatures) 2011-2014
Grobbel, Claudia (SON) 2012-2015
Nichols, Amanda (KL) 2012-2015
O'Mahony, Carolyn (SEHS) 2012-2015
Wright, Steve (CAS-Math/Sciences) 2012-2015

New Appointees

Cho, Seong (SBA) 2013-2016
Taku, Kanako (CAS-Social Science) 2013-2016
Rorke, Stafford (SHS) 2013-2016

Open(2)

SOM 2012-2015

The motion was approved.

D. GOOD AND WELFARE

- Ms. Piskulich (Associate Provost) informed the Senate that 116 people had volunteered for the Senate Standing Committees, and she expressed her thanks for their cooperation and willingness to serve.
- Mr. Dulio said that he had noticed that the ceremony for the 3+3 program with Cooley Law School had been cancelled. He said he had seen articles associating Cooley with Western Michigan University, and he wondered whether the relationship between OU and Cooley would be affected because of the relationship between Cooley and WMU. Ms. Awbrey replied that she was not able to comment on that at this time.
- Mr. Grossman said that he had heard about changes to protocol at graduation, and he expressed his concern that the decision to change this protocol was done with a lack of consultation with faculty members. He pointed out that in the College of Arts and Sciences, the procedure has traditionally been for department chairs to read the names of the graduates, but now the decision has been made for other readers to assume this role, and he said there should have been input into this decision. Ms. Awbrey replied that information about this matter had been sent out in January to unit coordinators. Ms. Miller agreed that the information had been sent out, but observed that it was sent out late which she found problematic. Stephanie Lee (Administrative Associate to the Provost) indicated that the coordinators and the Deans are supposed to discuss this type of information with their units. Mr. Grossman replied that shared governance is important, and re-iterated that there should have been consultation with the faculty. Mr. Latcha pointed out that the decision was driven by technology, and he asked Ms. Lee how the graduate ceremony would be different. Ms. Lee said that this year when students walk across the stage, their picture and name of degree will be displayed overhead, and their name will be read—however, the type of degree will not be read. Also, she said that there will be two readers throughout instead of each department chair reading the names of graduates in his/her department. Ms. Reger expressed her concern that since her program is not a large one, and since a highlight for her students has been that she is traditionally there to read their names, she found it unfortunate that this new system creates a separation between the students and the faculty. She felt that this takes away from a moment that has always been important to students. Ms. Miller pointed out that back in the day when graduation was in June, they used the two-reader method, and she was once one of the readers which she recalled as a horrible experience. She went on to say that the graduation ceremony is a moment when we want students to be happy but she did not think that the new procedure would be the way to make that happen. She asked Ms. Lee whether students would be coming up on stage by major, or in alphabetical order. Ms. Lee replied that they would come up to the stage by major. Ms. Awbrey clarified that Ms. Lee's committee is made up of faculty members as well as other individuals, and so there was consultation. Ms. Thompson asked if Ms. Lee's

committee had recommended the new protocol. Ms. Lee replied that they had not. Mr. Dvir said that as chair of Biology, he had always enjoyed reading the names of the graduates, and having the momentary interaction with the students at the ceremony. He felt that the decision to change the protocol should be reconsidered. Ms. Awbrey said that the matter could be discussed for reconsideration, and with this the discussion ended.

Interim Provost Awbrey expressed her thanks to all of the Senate members for their help and work throughout the year.

E. ADJOURNMENT

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

Respectfully submitted,
Dikka Berven (secretary)