

University Senate Meeting Minutes

November 1, 2013, 1:45-3:00 in Bozorth Auditorium

**ATTENDEES:** Terri Allen, Herb Appelson, Lori Block, Robert Bullard, Allison Carter, Joe Cassidy, Patrick Crumrine, Thomas Dinzeo, Carol Eigenbrot, Jess Everett, John Feaster, Jon Foglein, Bill Freind, Lori Getler, Michael Grove, Steve Hartley, Erin Herberg, Kit Holder, Jerry Hough, Monica Kerrigan, Drew Kopp, Valarie Lee, Janet Lindman, Brendan Livingston, Julie Mallory-Church, DeMond Miller, Marge Morris, Jon Olshefski, Bruce Plourde, Kathryn Quigley, Beth Rey, Sheri Rodriguez, Lane Savadove, Mariano Savelski, Natalie Schell-Busey, Ted Schoen, Mollie Sheppard, Christopher Simons, Michele Soreth, McKenzie Suber-Robinson, Chris Thomas, Skeff Thomas, Harold Thompson, Tim Vaden, Marilena Olguta Vilceanu, Tingting Wang, Youru Wang, Beth Wassell, Barbara Williams, Charlene Williams, Shari Willis, Mei Zhang.

**NOT IN ATTENDANCE: (Represented by Alternates)** Mayra Arroyo represented by Michael Whiting, Kate Boland represented by Bonnie Wilson, Michael Lim represented by David Klassen, Eric Milou represented by Dexter Whittinghill, Jennifer Nicholson represented by Jennifer Lombardo, Peter Rattigan represented by Greg Biren.

**NOT IN ATTENDANCE:** Tom Doddy (2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive absence), Roberto Madero, Deb Martin, Jacqueline McCafferty, Thomas Merrill, Maria Perez-Colon (2<sup>nd</sup> consecutive absence), Ravi Ramachandran, Robert Rawlins.

1. Approval of agenda  
*Moved to approve*
2. Introduction of visitors  
None (at that time); Rory McElwhee and Steve Farney arrived later.
3. Approval of minutes from September meeting  
Amended: Youru Wang attended September meeting; originally reported as absent.
4. President's report
  1. GCC – relationship with GCC; possible name change to Rowan College of Gloucester County;  
Question on floor: articulation with classes accepted from GCC.
  2. Consultant on campus examining Sports – Division III to Division I; To expand facilities we would look for private/public partnerships. Questions about Title 9. Scholarships: question. Several comments from the floor that athletics cost most universities money.
  3. Ribbon cuttings – many occurring on campus. Enterprise Center is beautiful.
  4. Four campuses now. Bill Freind and Deb Martin are working on teleconferencing capacity.
  5. T&R update – Ted Schoen
    - a. Committee finished formal work.
    - b. Great committee members did work without complaint

- c. Issue as university grows, how to restructure T&R process; task force being formed in Dec. Unsustainable as is.

6. Scheduling resolutions: Rory McElwhee, Steve Farney and Brendan Livingston.

- a. Standardize passing time to 15 minutes (page 2)  
High demand time 10:50 to 1:30.

This will affect Glassboro campus non-CGCE programs now.

Second proposal will address how to use the grid (Steve Farney) Department will have freedom.  
Alternatives for nighttime hours. 5:00-7:30; 6:30- 9:00; 8:00- 10:30.  
Will work on specific department issues.

- b. Changes to scheduling system (page 4) Sample classroom/Time Slot Schedule for Dept to Fill Out

Departments will complete schedule; reviewed by Dean's office.

Initial allocation will be made available to the Senate before we vote. Email to Senators early next week; share with departments..

System will not be perfect at first. Historical data is coming from Section Tally.

Page 4: States that "Department chairs will assign"; should be "in consultation with colleagues".  
Recommended action: Should be added as friendly amendment by Senate at second reading.

If passed at next Senate meeting, would be in effect Fall 2014. Suggested that a sunset date be put into it; but would have to be replaced with something else, not go back to old schedule.

7. Update on advising: Rory McElwhee

Report of Advising Redesign Team; Model is called "dual advisor". All students would be assigned a professional advisor (they would have MA in counseling or higher ed); Use GRAD and Rowan Success Network. Faculty advisor would be called "faculty mentors"; can connect students to department and disciplines and careers.

Open Forum scheduled two weeks from now; Nov 15 James 3091 2 hour Open Forum. Will be in Rowan Announcer.

8. Update on Curriculum: Erin Herberg

No proposals. Current system is unsustainable given university growth.  
289 proposals 2012-13; to date in 2013-14 over 220 proposals; having a committee to reconsider the structure and process of curriculum to be responsive to ongoing changes in curriculum.  
Moving to electronic will take time.

9. Resolution to drop SOM as members on Senate committees (page 10)  
Friendly amendment – only remove SOM faculty from personnel committees, allow them to continue on other committees. Bill captured language. Motion passed.

10. Resolution on Research Lab Safety (page 11) First reading.  
Beth Wassell reported that policy was issued by Office of Research in conjunction with General Counsel. Serious issues ---IBC.

**2:55-3:00**

11. Old business  
none

12. New business

Gen Ed – still working; significant changes have been made and will be brought to Senate;

June 2014 will be interim review for Middle States, committee set up with Janet and Roberta co-chairs and members are on those areas that were concerned.

Krishan Bhatia, faculty member in Engineering; approved new member of Sabbatical Leave Committee in Engineering.

Issues: Chairs cannot raise course caps without permission of the Dean..

Need a chair of Learning Outcomes Assessment Committee: Volunteer ?????

New Business

Online course – curriculum implications. Online courses are delivery concern; faculty is responsible for curriculum. Talk to Deans first.

13. Adjournment  
Approved.