

**Faculty Senate
Special Meeting, April 14, 2023**

Attendance: Liz Matory, Leslie Ward, Schuyler Chapman, Jen Wenner, Nabil Nasseri, David O'Dell, Kevin Evans, Maureen Gildein (online), Josh Squires (online)
Guests: Tim Konhaus, Ann Reed, Robert Regalado (online), Shelly Ratliff (online)

- I. Meeting was called to order at 4:00 pm
- II. Policy from Tuesday, April 11 Meeting with requested edit
 - a. Duplicate degrees
 - i. Reed informed that it addresses the concerns now about financial aid.
 - ii. O'Dell moved to approve. Nasseri seconded. All ayes.
 - iii. Recommendation passes with requested changes.
- III. Policies Not Discussed during Tuesday, April 11, 2023 Meeting
 - a. Gender Identity, Preferred names and pronouns
 - i. Wenner asked if under policy 54 (gender identity). In 54.4.1, we recognize the need for respect for gender identity; should we also say that it respects preferred name too in a 54.6.1 (which seems to be missing)?
 - ii. O'Dell agrees on the parallel structure.
 - iii. Evans mentioned getting numeration proper.
 - iv. In 54.2.3, we have a grammatical error per O'Dell to be fixed before publication.
 - v. Chapman moves to recommend with the changes to ULC. O'Dell and Ward second.
 1. All voted in favor.
 2. Motion passes
 - b. Reduced tuition for in state/at least 65 years of age
 - i. Wenner asked whether the student needs to be degree seeking.
 - ii. O'Dell said if we keep it general it would still be accurate.
 - iii. 45a.5.5.1 has some confusing language per Wenner.
 - iv. Reed said that is the language of the bill.
 - v. Evans said we should include information about the cost reduction more clearly. We should say "shall be 50%" rather than "shall not exceed 50%." That would not keep them guessing.
 - vi. O'Dell mentioned that there we say "at least 65 years or older" and we would need to cut one or the
 - vii. O'Dell moves to recommend to ULC with the changes. Gildein seconded.
 1. All ayes.
 - c. University Credit for Prior learning
 - i. O'Dell asked regarding 33.11, which mentions nursing, while we don't really have a program.
 - ii. Evans said he is of two minds since it is our intention to have a nursing program.

- iii. Matory likes the language regarding veterans.
 - iv. Wenner moves that we recommend it to ULC as is.
 - 1. All vote aye.
 - 2. Motion passes
- d. Transfer Credits and Grades
- i. Squires mentioned 31.3.3 and 31.4.6 (inconsistency in use of numerals) seventy percent should be 70 percent.
 - 1. Chapman commented that the standard practice is to write out numerals less than 10 but to use numerals for numbers 10 and higher.
 - ii. O'Dell points out 31.3.2, 31.4.1, 31.4.3, 31.4.4, 31.4.5 requires changing language (they did a global replace (college replaced by university)). Someone needs to go through and tidy them up.
 - iii. Ward asked if 31.4.7 needed us to specify forms referred to there. Evans says no since it's a Board of Governors policy.
 - iv. Matory asked if she should make the grammatical/style changes.
 - v. Senate recommends sending it to ULC with the grammatical changes.
- e. GPA for Associates and Bachelor's Degrees
- i. O'Dell said that there were not significant changes (they changed numbers by adding definitions).
 - ii. Wenner moved to recommend that we send it forward to ULC. Nasseri seconded.
 - 1. All voted aye.
 - 2. Motion passes

IV. Additional matter for shared governance process

- a. Senior Lecturer policy
 - i. Ward said they settled on five years for promotion. She thinks it is okay but still a little too soon.
 - ii. O'Dell said some of the writing could be clarified. The content he said is fine but there are redundancies here.
 - 1. He offered an example (why spell out different professors vs. referring to tenured and tenure-track professors; the use of the term "late years").
 - iii. Nasseri, Gildein, and Ward discussed how most people are concerned with the language/style/clarity, not the content.
 - iv. Evans said we don't need to get it to ULC before the next meeting since it could be enforced if approved early fall. O'Dell said the administration will probably let people apply in February 2024.
 - v. Evans said we could review a revised copy (O'Dell will share edits with Ashley Nicholas) early next week and vote via email. That way it could get to ULC. If it does not get to the ULC, it should still get to them by the fall.

Adjournment (4:40 pm)