

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE

UNDERGRADUATE STUDIES COUNCIL
Tuesday, 12 October 2010, 3 p.m.
Faculty Lounge, Bernhard Center

*Discussion of 2010-11 Council Charges and How to Proceed
in Fulfilling the Charges*

Members present: A. Anderson, N. Andreadis, R. Aravamuthan, K. Baldner, B. Ferrin, K. Hearit, K. Hillenbrand, P. Krawutschke, D. Reinhold (for Provost T. Greene), C. Thralls, V. Torano, G. Whitehurst

Absent without substitution: M. Kritzman, D. Ravotas, D. Sachs

Also present: Janice Anderson, Faculty Senate Office; Jeanine Bartholomew, academic advising liaison; Betty Dennis, associate dean, Extended University Programs

Charge number 7 (“that the council make a recommendation on the assignment of course credit hours apart from the contractual workload issue”) has been deleted from our set of charges for this year at the request of the campus president of the AAUP.

Ferrin proposed the creation of a sub-committee of the council to consider the charges concerned with retention. Hillenbrand, Bartholomew, and Ferrin volunteered to form this sub-committee, with the goal of reporting back to the full council by the end of the semester.

The council had an extended discussion of the remaining charges.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kent Baldner

Procedural Items

Council Chair Bruce Ferrin called the meeting to order at 3:03 p.m.

Acceptance of Agenda

A. Anderson moved acceptance of the agenda, as revised to change the order, seconded by Aravamuthan. Motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes

Krawutschke moved approval of the minutes of 14 September 2010, seconded by Whitehurst. Motion carried.

Action/Discussion Items

Council Representation on the Transfer of Credit Committee

This is currently an ad hoc committee. The first reading of the Bylaw amendment to create this as a standing committee of the Senate occurred at the most recent Faculty Senate meeting on 7 October. Betty Dennis volunteered to serve as the council’s representative on this committee and was approved by acclamation.

Council Representation on the University Assessment Steering Committee

Raja Aravamuthan volunteered to serve as the council’s representative on this committee and was approved by acclamation.