

1 William Paterson University – FACULTY SENATE MINUTES – October 23, 2018
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4 **PRESENT:** Aktan, Andreopoulos, Brillante, Chesin (for Makarec), Crick, De Young, Diamond,
5 Duffy, Ellis, Felson (for Ranjan), Flores-Marti, Griswold, Harris, Helldobler, Kecojevic, Kollia,
6 Kothandaraman, Levitan, , Najarian, Natrajan, O'Donnell, Orr, Potacco, Rosar, Ryan, Schwartz,
7 Snyder, Spagna, Suess, Swanson, Tardi, Vega, Verdicchio, Vishio, Wallace, Walsh (foe Pozzi,
8 Watad, Weiner (for Kearney), Weisberg
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10 **ABSENT:** Chung, Guedes, Owusu, Perez, Russell, Scala, Steinhart
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12 **GUESTS:** Bannister, Bartle, Brenenson, Chabayta, Devlin, Feola, Ferguson, Ginsberg,
13 Goldstein, Hawk, D. Hill, S. Hill, Johnson, Griffin, Johnson, Liautaud, Lincoln, Mankiw,
14 Mullins, Murad, Noonan, Ortiz, Owusu-Ansah, Pinkston, Rabbitt, Refsland, Rosenberg, Ross,
15 Schneider, Seal, Sheffield, Tiernan, Vasquez
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17 **PRELIMINARIES:** In Scala's absence, Griswold called the Senate meeting to order at
18 12:34pm. The Agenda, moved and seconded by Najarian and Flores-Marti, was approved
19 unanimously. The Draft Minutes of the October 9th meeting, moved and seconded by Spagna
20 and Weisberg, were also approved unanimously.
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22 Duffy announced that the Library is again conducting a LibQual evaluation of the Library's
23 resources and services, etc. There are five \$100 Pioneer Express credits for five luck student
24 respondents. The link is: <https://www.wpunj.edu/library/LIBQUAL.htm>
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26 Bartle distributed information regarding faculty, student and staff access Lynda.com, a collection
27 of thousands of educational videos, and to Qualtrics, a widely-used survey software application.
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29 **CHAIR'S REPORT:** Griswold announced that the next Senate meeting, on November 13th,
30 would be a Meeting of the Faculty and Professional Staff. It will be a closed meeting to which
31 only elected members of the Senate are allowed to attend. The primary topic of the meeting will
32 be a wide-ranging discussion of faculty ideas of what we are as a university, what is our vision,
33 what are our priorities, where are we going and how do we get there, etc.
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35 **REMARKS BY PRESIDENT HELLDOLBLER:** Since many people have asked him how his
36 listening tour is going, the President decided to give a brief update. He has met with over 800
37 people, working from 8AM to 10PM many days.
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39 He is committed to shared governance and is working closely with the executive committees of
40 the Faculty Senate and the Union.
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42 Topics that arise when he speaks with faculty: enrollment, retention, advising and the Pioneer
43 Success Seminar. Students seem most concerned about: food, parking and the cost of things.
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45 He addressed two wide-spread rumors. He is not going to stop paying faculty for advisement.
46 While he doesn't think it is a good use of faculty time to be doing administrative things, he
47 appreciates the value of personal advising on career issues, not just course counseling. Second,

48 deans will not be given extra pay for increasing enrollment, but their success in doing that will be
49 considered when he evaluates them.

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51 When the faculty have problems, they should follow the chain of command: they should go to
52 the next higher level first. If someone jumps steps, he will remind them to go back and try to
53 resolve the issue with chairs, deans, Provost, etc. Only if those remedies fail should the staff
54 member bring the case to him.

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56 **RESEARCH ON GENERATON Z:** Orr's presentation was postponed until November. [The
57 PowerPoint is archived in the Packet for this meeting.]

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59 **UNIVERSITY CORE CURRICULUM: ASSESSMENT OF TECHNOLOGY**

60 **INTENSITVE COURSES:** Weisberg presented a PowerPoint [archived in the Packet for this
61 meeting] and described a number of features and limitations of the assessment. Snyder, Simon,
62 Simon and Natrajan raised questions about what should be included in a UCC course syllabus.
63 Potacco, Ellis, Snyder, Schwartz, Levitan, Tardi and Natrajan discussed the sometimes-vast
64 differences among syllabi for the same course. Weisberg stated that each faculty member has the
65 right to create his or her own syllabus. Helldobler noted that such unevenness creates problems
66 for the institution in the eyes of accreditors.

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68 **UNIVERSITY CORE CURRICULUM: ASSESSEMENT OF CIVIC ENGAGEMENT:** Orr
69 made a brief presentation. [Her PowerPoint is archived in the Packet for this meeting.] There was
70 no discussion.

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72 **RETENTION INITIATIVES:** Refsland and Oritz presented a number of activities that are
73 geared to increasing retention. [Their PowerPoint is archived in the Packet for this meeting.]
74 Among the things mentioned were Tutorl.com and Starfish. Snyder and Tardi commented on the
75 students' responsibility for their own academic lives.

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77 **ADJOURNMENT:** The Senate adjourned at 1:47pm.

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79 The next meeting of the Faculty Senate will be held Tuesday, November 13, 2018 at 12:30 in
80 Ballroom C. This will be a Meeting of the Faculty and Professional Staff. Such a meeting is open
81 only to elected members of the Senate. It is closed to Ex-officio members and to the public.

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83 Respectfully Submitted: Bill Duffy, Secretary

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