ULM Faculty Senate
18 November 2010, 12:30 PM, Admin 2-91

1. Call to order and roll call (Called to order 12:31pm)
a. Present ʹ President Hill, Past-President Walker, President-Elect Rhorer, Senator
Anderson, Senator Andrews , Senator Arrant, Senator Bontty, Senator Casey, Senator
Clark, Senator Cummings-Strunk, Senator Eisenstadt, Senator Feldhaus, Senator
Grinnell, Senator Hutto, Senator Lowe, Senator Matusiak, Senator Owens, Senator Reid,
Secretary-elect Steckline, Senator Sylvester
i. Quorum present
b.
(* indicates excused absence)

2. Approval of 14 October 2010 minutes. (Lowe/Feldhaus) ʹ Minutes were approved with
corrections.

3. Committee Reports

a. Executive Board
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DISCUSSION: A charge was given Academic Standards to look into how
calculation of graduation rates might be being modified.

v. Motion to move into Executive Session (Reid/Feldhaus). Motion to resume
normal business (Reid/Feldhaus)

vi. Dr. Richters discussed exploring the ͞>ĂŵĂƌ/ŶŝƚŝĂƚŝǀĞ͘͟WƌŝǀĂƚĞĐŽƌƉŽƌĂƚŝŽŶs are
partnering with universities for online instruction. The corporation handles
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orders, etc. to assist students completing the degree program. The University
provides primary instructor for course. The private corporation gets
approximately 70% of tuition for their efforts.

vii. President Hill discussed with the Administration about backing for faculty on
classroom discipline issues. Currently, no standard procedures in place to
address student behavior. Problems arise when faculty members are expected
to be the front line person dealing with chronic student behavior issues. Dr.
Richters has agreed that the process must be standardized, and that though
students have rights, faculty need to also be protected.

viii. Dr. Richters introduced the idea of possible conversion to quarter system.
Administration is just now starting the process of weighing pros and cons versus
semester system. Faculty should give input when asked about the pros and cons
of the system.

b. Other Executive Issues:
i. Senator Cummings-Strunk will be going on maternity leave mid-spring semester.
What are the options for substitute-senator for Senator Cummings-Strunk?

DISCUSSION: A charge was given to Constitution and By Laws Committee to
research amendments to the Constitution and By Laws to allow a temporary
replacement for University approved absences (e.g. Family Medical Leave Act,
Unformed Services Leave, Sabbaticals, etc.).

ii. President Hill asked the senate to vote for a meeting date on April 14 or 21 due
to University calendar. C,o0r.

ii. Committee would like to ask Executive Committee to discuss new 120 hour
requirements [30 hours in the major, 42 hours of core and the remaining credits
(48) are non-restricted] and how the requirements are to be implemented, what
restrictions exist, etc.

e. Constitution and By-laws ʹ No report

f. Elections ʹ No report

g. Faculty Welfare ʹ No Report

h. Faculty Handbook ʹ No report

i. Fiscal Affairs

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President Bruno will be invited to