

# WCU FACULTY SENATE MEETING

**Date:** October 30, 2014

**Time:** 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Location:** FHG Library Room 613

**Facilitator:** Eli DeHope, President

**Type of meeting:** Scheduled Meeting

**Note Taker:** Stacie Metz, Recording Secretary

**Misc.**

**Members Present: *designated by an X***

**Attendees:**

Abdel-Salam, Sami	X	Li, Huimin (Amy)	<i>Proxy, Gerald Abdesaken</i>
Atuahene, Francis	<i>Proxy, Thomas J. Siefried</i>	Metz, Stacie	<i>Proxy, Jim Brenner</i>
Bowen, Brian		Miller, Thomas	X
Brenner, Jim	X	Onderdonk, Julian	X
Brown, Eleanor	X	Pierlott, Matthew	X
Campillo-Fenoll, Marcos	<i>Absent</i>	Reighley, Kim	<i>Absent</i>
Cattano, Nicole	X	Sanz-Sanchez, Israel	X
Dannessa, Karen	<i>Absent</i>	Schugar, Heather	X
DeHope, Eli	X	Scythes, James	X
Forbes, Daniel	X	Selvaggi, Tina	X
Fournier, Eric	X	Sestrick, Timothy	X
Haggard, Cynthia	X	Smith, Paul K.	<i>Absent</i>
Hill, Erin	X	Stewart, Sarah Kate	<i>Proxy, Belinda Haikes</i>
Kenney, Jane	<i>Proxy, David Bolton</i>	Sullivan, Rosemary	X
Kolasinski, Kurt	<i>Absent</i>	Williams, Christine	<i>Proxy, Sandi Walz</i>
Lawton, Bessie Lee	X	Williams, York	<i>Absent</i>
Adjunct Faculty Rep: Mitchell Goldfarb	X	Student Gov't Rep: TBA	--
Adjunct Faculty Rep: Jordan Schugar	--	ROTC representative: TBA	--
<i>Guests in Attendance: Jane Tucker (proxy), Maureen McVeigh Trainor</i>			

## AGENDA ITEMS

Topic	Discussion	Action
Welcome to Senators, Proxies, and Guests (E. DeHope)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduction of all Senate members, proxies, and guests</li> <li>• Minutes of the last meeting were reviewed and approved; (J. Onderdonk motioned, seconded by E. Brown, all senators approved)</li> <li>• President DeHope described a brief history of Faculty Senate at WCU, focusing on campus climate.</li> </ul>	

<p>Dr. Chris Fiorentino, VP of External Operations; and Diane Greenwood, coordinator of Philadelphia campus</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dr. Fiorentino offered a brief overview of Philadelphia site, 700 Market St.. Programs currently in Philadelphia include: Criminal Justice, UG Social Work. Expansion being considered for other programs including Masters of Public Health, Nursing, and others.</li> <li>• Diane handed out "Information for Faculty" handout and Orientation Packet for students. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-on-site services provided (ie., Bookstore, Library, etc.) during Orientation. Otherwise, addressed as needed?</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Tutors provided; full-time Program Counselor at Philadelphia. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-offering services, but students aren't always available. Needs assessment was conducted. Career program being offered on a Sat. in November.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Chris offered that full-time day courses are the plan. Degree completion programs are only programs being offered in Philadelphia. Students in Philadelphia are students that typically would not come to WCU main campus.</li> <li>• Opened up to questions: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-dual enrolled with Gen Ed courses at community college (M. Goldfarb)</li> <li>-students = 170 students; 470 class-seats.</li> <li>-high student retention; Financially, growing with opportunity to break-even.</li> <li>-Faculty (B. Lawson) Statement of Expectations? – faculty hired after certain date could be required to teach in Philadelphia, or they should not accept position.</li> <li>-C. Haggard raised issues around tenure/promotion/etc. with faculty expected to teach in Philadelphia. Chris recognized issues around these and offered flexibility and continuing to develop strategies to address these?</li> <li>-Chris discussed other competitors offering programs at other colleges/universities.</li> <li>-Chris meets with faculty teaching in Philadelphia regularly to address concerns (ie., safety).</li> <li>-Diane addressed security and described one issue with security guard; there is a third party providing security (Allied Barton).</li> <li>-Video security? Diane and Chris were unsure. Security operation was set up by M. Bicking (WCU Public Safety director).</li> <li>-Faculty meeting w/ students? And offices? Chris addressed this by negotiating with other parties.</li> <li>-WCU currently has 4 offices, shared by Social Work field director and Program Counselor. Conference Room reserved every Tuesday as this is a heavy course evening. As we continue to grow, more space will be needed.</li> <li>-22 classes currently in 10 total classrooms.</li> <li>-WCU in Philadelphia is in third year of a 5 year lease. No intention to abandon site. "Access mission" and high quality, affordable price presence. No longer an experiment, now part of the plan.</li> <li>-WCU Residency requirements and other academic requirements all apply to students at Philadelphia campus (S. Walz).</li> <li>-Student services overlap and issues (E. Brown) – Chris was unsure of some of these case by case problems and would check into this. Creating systems - Chris is trying to anticipate problems &amp; issues recognizing they may exist. Many have been resolved as they came up. Please inform Chris and Diane of any ideas, suggestions, please let them know.</li> <li>-Better signage is being added and more/better signage has been approved.</li> <li>-Capacity could be considerably bigger. Three times larger according to Dr. Fiorentino.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<p>Dr. Julie Perone, Chair, Dept. of Counseling &amp; Psychological Services</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Introduction and handout materials (Counseling Ctr. Brochure; suicide prevention tips; PowerPoint slides).</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-moved from Lawrence to Commonwealth Hall, Lower level (basement, little natural light). 8 full-time faculty in 1989; currently 7+ faculty will much larger enrollment. Can't provide much more services with current limitation/restriction in staffing.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>National (CCMH) Significant Mental Health History</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-much of WCU's data is 'worse' than national data around mental health/suicide</li> <li>-Jan 2011 Counseling Ctr incorporated a 'triage' and 'short-term model'</li> <li>-more serious issues get referred off-campus.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 very part-time Psychiatrists &amp; trainee program. Would like to have a full-time case manager. Doing much more 'Outreach'. Faculty are still expected to do research, service, etc.</li> <li>• Commonwealth Hall has created challenges, no change in number of offices. Offices are smaller, no waiting room, accreditation could be a challenge.</li> <li>• E. DeHope-suggested this might be an issue Faculty Senate gets behind.</li> </ul> <p>-space is big issue and needing more faculty another. -often think about this as public safety issue, but counseling is perhaps bigger issue (D Forbes).</p>	
Bessie Lawson & Ellie Brown	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Administrative Search Updates:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Executive Deputy to the President Position (Lawton) -Executive Deputy to President Search Committee – 2 candidates were recommended to President; he will interview them and decide.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• <b>Senate Liaison to Cabinet Role (Brown)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Ellie discussed experience with President's Cabinet (meeting 10/29): Philadelphia branch campus; Drexel had exclusive 'right of first refusal' with DCCC &amp; MCCC.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
Liaisons and Committees (DeHope)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Updates:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- General Education Reform committee (Brenner)</li> <li>- Tuition by Credit Exploration Committee (Brenner)</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
<b>Senate Committee Reports</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Senate Committees:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Communications: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Chair</u>: Kurt Kolasinski</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Faculty Welfare &amp; Ethics: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Chair</u>: Stacie Metz</li> <li>• <u>Past Members</u>: Marcos Campillo-Fenoll, Karen Dannessa, Eric Fournier, Cynthia Haggard, Bessie Lawton, Huimin (Amy) Li, Paul Smith,</li> <li>• <u>Updates</u>: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- <u>Climate Issues for Faculty teaching DE and at Branch Campuses</u>: In process of exploring climate issues faculty report who primarily teach distance education and/or at branch campuses.</li> <li>- <u>Distance Education Concerns</u>: Solutions being discussed to increase the response rate of online course SRIS still being considered by APSCUF</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> <li>- Membership and Elections: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Chair</u>: Jim Brenner</li> <li>• <u>Past Members</u>: Brian Bowen, Julian Onderdonk, Dan Forbes</li> <li>• <u>Updates</u>: APSCUF election and Senate Exec election completed</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Student Welfare: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Chair</u>: Open position</li> <li>• <u>Past Members</u>: Francis Atuahene, Mitch Goldfarb, Jane Kenney, James Scythes, Christine Williams</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Ad Hoc - Facilities and Sustainability: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Chair</u>: Sarah Kate Stewart</li> <li>• <u>Past Members</u>: Heather Schugar, Jordan Schugar</li> </ul> </li> <li>- Ad Hoc - Research (from last AY): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <u>Chair</u>: Israel Sanz-Sanchez</li> <li>• <u>Members</u>: Open</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ul>	
AY2014-15 Meetings	<p>Friday, December 5<sup>th</sup> 2-4pm Thursday, February 12<sup>th</sup> 3-5pm Friday, March 20<sup>th</sup> 2-4pm</p>	

	Thursday, April 23 <sup>rd</sup> 3-5pm	
Senate Exec Committee	President: Eli DeHope Vice President: Jim Brenner Recording Secretary: Stacie Metz Corresponding Secretary: Kurt Kolasinski At-Large Members: Bessie Lawton and Heather Schugar Immediate Past President: Eleanor Brown	
<b>NEXT MEETING</b>		
<b>Day and Time:</b>	Friday, December 5 <sup>th</sup> 2-4pm, FHG Library Room 613	
<b>Topics:</b>	Lynn Klingensmith; Sponsored Research concerns	