

DRAFT MINUTES
University of Alaska Southeast Faculty Senate
December 2, 2011 Egan Library 211

President Monteith called the meeting to order at 3:00.

In attendance: D Monteith, B Blitz, A. Jones, J Liddle for R Goeden, S Neely, R Gilcrist, V Williams, C Bergstrom, W Girven, C McKenna, P Schulte, R Caulfield, M Stekoll, D Noon, M Pennoyer (scribe.)

Guests: E Hill, Chair, Curriculum Committee;

1. Approval of Minutes

B Blitz moved to approve the minutes from the November 4, 2011 Faculty Senate meeting; W Girven seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Senate discussion in the digital record from 0:03:40 to 0:04:24.

2. Curriculum Committee – Fall Schedule Erica Hill

E Hill reported that the Curriculum Committee met to review Spec Ed BA, (passed by Faculty Senate in October 2011) and identified minor clarifications to be made; and, reviewed Mine Mechanic Occupational Endorsement. Hill anticipates passage of both proposals at the next Committee meeting.

Spring deadline for proposals is March 1, 2012 (or first business day).

Senate discussion in the digital record from 0:04:25 to 0:06:20.

3. AAS Justice Program Proposal Robin Gilcrist

R Gilcrist moved to have Faculty Senate approve the AAS Justice Program Proposal with the following motion:

Faculty Senate approves the concept of the Law Enforcement AAS moving forward to Curriculum Committee for review, with the clear understanding that the proposal will only be approved by the Provost and Chancellor once the Sitka Campus has identified funding and a timeline for hiring a regular faculty who will serve as the Law Enforcement Program Manager with at least a 60% workload dedicated to the oversight of the Law enforcement AAS and Occupational Endorsement. The faculty member will demonstrate expertise in justice, law enforcement or related field.

Motion was seconded by B Blitz. After discussion, the proposal passed with one abstention.

Notes: Approval and completion of the program proposal will not be in time for AY 12-13 academic catalog; enrollment may begin in fall 2013.

Before sending the proposal to the Curriculum Committee and Registrar, program committee must complete a Category A New Program Proposal Form and include required degree text for the academic catalog.

Faculty Senate approved the concept of this program; the Curriculum Committee to review the entire proposal.

Senate discussion in the digital record from 0:06:25 to 0:36:20.

4. TLTR Committee – Update on Blackboard Colleen McKenna

C McKenna reported that the Blackboard server installation is nearly complete; and, a reminder to faculty to participate in test system forum as part of transition process. Training plan coming and will be designed by incoming instructional designer. Next week, UA Statewide is sending out a survey on classroom technology to all faculty and students; not to be confused with course evaluations.

Senate discussion in the digital record from 0:36:24 to 0:39:37.

5. Drop, Withdraw Date Brian Blitz

B Blitz is proposing to change the drop and withdraw dates: Drop class within four weeks of the beginning of the semester without students receiving a W. Add date wouldn't change, will continue to be within one week, later with instructor signature.

Units reported in support – questions about financial aid, effect on future academic calendars, short courses. What are the policies of UAA and UAF?

Senate discussion in the digital record from 0:40:00 to 0:53:33.

6. Research Committee Sanjay Pyare

S Pyare was absent from the meeting. D Monteith noted URECA application deadline was December 1, 2011.

Senate discussion in the digital record from 0:53:40 to 0:55:12.

7. Sustainability Committee (Ad hoc) Update

S Neely reported that the committee continues to work on the bus pass issue and sponsored a sustainability fair on the Juneau campus on December 1, 2011.

C Bergstrom reported that she and K Maier met with UAUAS to discuss sending a survey to students to determine their support of a student fee to pay for student bus passes.

R Caulfield provided information on an upcoming meeting with John Kearn, Transit Superintendent, of Capital Transit to discuss options for pricing and accessibility of buses by UAS students.

Senate discussion in the digital record from 0:55:10 to 0:57:40.

8. Other Action Items

There were no action items.

Reports

President's Report:

D Monteith reported there would be Juneau campus external Listening Session for Strategic Direction on December 15, 2011 from 8:00 to 9:30 at the Bill Ray Center; and, noon to 2:00 at the Glacier View Room on the Auke Lake Campus.

R Caulfield provided information and observations on the Ketchikan and Sitka listening sessions.

Future Agenda Items:

Should there be a meeting of the Faculty Senate on January 6, 2012? Consensus of the Senate was that there was no need for a meeting.

Provost Caulfield discussed with Senate changes to spring convocation and asked for feedback. Instead of formal meetings and discussions, the purpose of the events would be to hold workshops on topics of interest to faculty. Training on Blackboard was suggested.

The next meeting of the Faculty Senate will be February 3, 2012 at 3:00.

Senate discussion in the digital record from 0:57:50 to 1:10:00.

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 pm.