Pittsburg State University
Faculty Senate Agenda

Date: Monday, September 23, 2013
Time: 3:00 p.m.
Location: S102 Kansas Technology Center

AGENDA

I. Call to order

II. Approval of Minutes from May 6, 2013 meeting

III. Announcements
   A. Provost and Vice-President of Academic Affairs - Dr. Lynette Olson
   B. Registrar – Debbie Greve
   C. PSU/KNEA Remarks - Dr. Browyn Conrad
   D. Student Senate Remarks - Mr. Taylor Gravett
   E. Unclassified Senate Remarks - Dr. Andrew Myers
   F. Classified Senate Remarks - Dacia Clark
   G. Faculty Senate Report - Justin Honey

IV. Committee Reports (Reports from committees will begin with Undergraduate Curriculum Committee followed by Academic Affairs)
   A. Academic Affairs Committee - Chair, Greg Murray, Recorder, Hazel Coltharp
      1. Undergraduate Curriculum Subcommittee - Initial Chair, Julie Dainty
      2. Library Services Subcommittee - Initial Chair, Randy Roberts
      3. Information Systems Subcommittee - Initial Chair, Khamis Siam
      4. Continuing Studies Subcommittee - Chair, Susan Schreiner
      5. Departmental Academic Honors Subcommittee - Chair, Akram Taghavi-Burris
      6. Honors College Subcommittee - Chair, Doug Younger
      7. Writing Across the Curriculum Subcommittee - Chair, Greg Murray
      8. Diversity and Multicultural Affairs Subcommittee - Initial Chair, Julie Dainty
   B. Student Faculty Committee - Initial Chair, Peter Chung
   C. All University Committee - Chair, Rebeca Book
D. Faculty Affairs Committee- Chair, Jamie McDaniel
E. Constitution Committee- Initial Chair, Mark Johnson
F. General Education Committee- Chair, Mark Johnson
G. Budget Committee- Initial Chair, Rebecca Butler

All University Committees or Other Appointments

V. Unfinished Business
   A. Report to Senate from Undergraduate Curriculum Summer Task Force, Peter Chung, report: see attached

VI. New Business

VII. Open Forum

VIII. Adjournment- Next Meeting- Monday, October 28, 2013, S102 Kansas Technology Center
Summary Report for 2013 Summer UG Curriculum Taskforce

What we set out to do

- Streamline the curriculum legislation process to avoid breaks and holidays
- Tweak curriculum legislation forms to accommodate
- Bring all units putting forth UG curriculum under the umbrella of Faculty Senate
- Discuss where interdisciplinary programs fit in the current curriculum legislation scheme

What we ended up accomplishing

- **Updated legislative calendar** (see Excel spreadsheet)
  - Avoided holidays and breaks
  - Moved up legislative calendar to begin in August and adjusted dates to provide 3 submission opportunities for new programs (Aug, Sept, Oct)
  - Spreadsheet of legislative calendar
  - Process proposed to provide continuity on who sets legislative calendar
    - Faculty Senate President and President-Elect will set calendar for the following year
- Curriculum legislation forms were streamlined to avoid redundancy and volume of pages
- Discussed the recommendations of the interdisciplinary taskforce
  - The task force was in agreement that interdisciplinary curriculum be melded into the current process
  - It seems the affected departments/colleges should be involved in the approval process since they are most knowledgeable of the changes/development
  - Not much in favor of a separate director/college for such curriculum legislation
Recommendations

- Overall, the process seems to work well
- Taskforce feels transparency in curriculum proposal is key
  - 24 day window (2 weeks of preliminary viewing and 10 day viewing period) provides sufficient time for legislation to be “vetted”
- There is an awareness of the deadlines and process has gone fairly smoothly
- HONORS and UGS will go through all four college curriculum committees for approval, IEP will go to FS UGCC as an FYI
- Interdisciplinary programs will begin at one respective college and go through all colleges affected
- Have UGCC and Graduate Council look at how to integrate interdisciplinary programs and courses into the current process
- As far as KBOR’s contingency on expedited programs of importance, discussion needs to begin on how to best facilitate new programs without sacrificing planning and details
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* Final examinations for Summer sessions will be held in the last regular class period of each summer course