

ACADEMIC SENATE
September 14, 2004

PRESENT: Wane Boysun, Kevin Carlson, Cheri Jimeno, Lisa O'Neil, Roger Stone, Larry Strizich, Janet Trethewey, Lanny Wilke

President Trethewey called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. in the West Conference Room. The minutes of August 25, 2004 were approved as presented.

OLD BUSINESS:

ACADEMIC SENATE MEMBERSHIP – It was noted that there is no representation from the arts and sciences program areas.

SENATE CONSTITUTION AND CURRICULUM GUIDE – Revised copies were sent to the members by Janet. There were some questions and language changes suggested. Janet will make the revisions and resend the material.

NEW BUSINESS:

VICE PRESIDENT POSITION – Lanny **MOVED** to nominate Larry Strizich as Vice President of the Academic Senate. Lisa **SECONDED**. **MOTION CARRIED.**

GENERAL EDUCATION PROPOSAL – The Curriculum Committee is having a special meeting on the proposal next week. Since the new general education proposal has fewer credits, it has become a worry to some departments about what to do with the remaining 7-9 credits. Many programs have been relying on general education to satisfy program requirements as the number of credits allowed are maxed out. One main concern is how to match the Board of Regents policy and our curriculum guide policy with the new general education proposal based on some of our programs that have firm requirements. Roger expressed unease about the elimination of core requirements and its outcomes. Cheri stated that the inclusion of basic courses in the gen ed core, which do not count at other institutions, need to be seriously examined. Roger suggested inviting Greg Clouse to explain the rationale of the proposal. Discussion will continue at the next meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Joanna Kurtz