

1 WILLIAM PATERSON UNIVERSITY – **FACULTY SENATE MINUTES** – September 13, 2005

2 SENATE WEBPAGE: www.wpunj.edu/senate -- E-MAIL DISCUSSION: faculty senate@list.wpunj.edu

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4 **PRESENT:** Agard-Jones, Barnes, Betances, Bhat, Bone, Davis, De Young, Fuller-Stanley, Gazzillo
5 Diaz, Duffy, Ferris, Godar, S. Hahn, Haines, Heluk, Jemmott, Kaplan, Kaufman, Kovaleski, Kim,
6 Korgen, Lelyveld, Levitan, Liautaud, Martus, Mukherjee, Nemeroff, Overdorf, Pavese, Pollak,
7 Potacco, Rivela, Rothman, Scala, Stroppel, K. Swanson, P. Swanson, Tardi, Thompson, Tracy,
8 Wagner, Wahrman, Weisberg, Weltman, Xu, Yildiz

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10 **ABSENT:** Cunningham, Goldstein, Kalish, Plank

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12 **GUESTS:** Daniel-Robinson, Schaeffer, Sherman, Watts

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14 **PRELIMINARIES:** Chairperson Duffy called the meeting to order at 12:35 PM. Korgen asked
15 that the Agenda be amended to include a resolution to change the title of the Psychology
16 graduate program. Korgen moved and Godar seconded adoption of the amended agenda.
17 Martus and Tracy moved and seconded approval of the minutes from April 26, and this passed
18 unanimously. Rivela moved and Godar seconded approval of the minutes from May 10, and this
19 also passed unanimously. Duffy asked the membership to be mindful of getting material to the
20 councils at the earliest possible time so that they will have time to work and get resolutions to
21 the Senate in a timely manner.

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23 **CHAIR'S REPORT:** Duffy welcomed everyone and especially those new to the Senate. He
24 asked new members to introduce themselves. He said that the Executive Committee will meet
25 soon with the Administration to discuss items of mutual interest and upcoming Senate agenda
26 items. AFT President Sue Tardi said that the next regular meeting of Local 1796 will be on
27 Tuesday, September 20 and that she hopes everyone takes an active Union role. Duffy noted
28 that there were no representatives from student government present. Duffy urged everyone to
29 attend the All Faculty Meeting on September 22 in Science 200A. Duffy called the Senate's
30 attention to a flyer promoting the federally mandated "Constitution Day" program. He said that a
31 lecture entitled "Fear, Freedom, and the U.S. Constitution" will be held on September 15 at 3:30
32 PM in Shea Auditorium. Duffy also announced an All-Faculty Forum entitled "Integrating
33 Information Literacy Into Your Courses" being sponsored by the Office of the Provost, the GE
34 Committee, the Technology Across the Curriculum Committee, and the Center for Teaching
35 Excellence. He said that the forum will be held on October 6 from 12:30 to 1:45 PM at the Valley
36 Road Auditorium. Jon Bone added that if anyone is interested in being a participant in the forum
37 to please contact a member of TAC (<http://www.wpunj.edu/academics/tac/>). Ginny Overdorf,
38 Program Director for Students of Life (<http://www.wpunj.edu/icip/ica/StudentsofLife.htm>),
39 introduced Geri Helou, who described the program as being run by retired people who serve as
40 mentors to our students helping with problems in academic, family, career, and social areas. She
41 said that older staff have a good knowledge of campus resources and can readily direct students
42 to where they can get help. She said that the Real Money 101 program helps students deal with
43 a variety of problems including credit card debt. She distributed a flyer and asked that folks
44 contact Mary Osinski at 973-720-3690 to arrange for a presentation. Duffy introduced Dr. Jean
45 Fuller-Stanley, the new Associate Dean of the College of Science and Health. Duffy announced
46 that Elizabeth Haines, Psychology Department, will take the place of Jan Swingle, who is on
47 medical leave. Duffy encouraged everyone to attend a performance on September 25 to benefit
48 victims of Hurricane Katrina. He said that Karen Demsey and the UpTown Flutes will perform at
49 3 PM at the Campus Catholic Ministry Center. Duffy reviewed some relocated campus service
50 office locations. Duffy reported that Pixy Ferris has been named Director of the Center for
51 Teaching Excellence, located on the 2nd floor of the Library. Duffy provided an update on the
52 newly formed Provost search committee, saying that the election was expertly handled by Nancy

53 Weiner. He said that Anne Ciliberti has been named Chair and read the list of members. Pavese
54 expressed disappointment that a member of the adjunct faculty was not included on the
55 committee, and said it was serious omission in light of the recent inclusion of adjuncts on the
56 Senate and Senate committees and councils.

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58 **VICE-CHAIR'S REPORT:** Korgen referred to the roster of Senate Councils and Committees in
59 the packet and moved that they be accepted. Godar seconded. Kaufman said that not everyone
60 was notified that they were on a particular Council. Korgen said that she is working on a new
61 method and policy for selection for next year that will improve communication. Kaplan said that
62 she knows someone who is interested in serving. Pavese asked if there is a deadline. Korgen
63 said to forward any names to her as soon as possible. De Young said that Denise Liberty has
64 been hired as a full time faculty member and is no longer an adjunct. Korgen said that she will
65 contact those who have agreed to convene. Duffy noted that we have never had the grid filled
66 this completely so early in the semester, and congratulated Korgen and Pavese for their hard
67 work and perseverance. Kaufman asked if a person can get off a Council, to which Korgen
68 replied "certainly." The list of members was passed unanimously. Duffy noted that Weltman has
69 agreed to continue service as Parliamentarian and will work with the Governance Council as
70 edits to the Bylaws or Constitution are proposed.

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72 **REPORT FROM BOARD OF TRUSTEES LIAISONS:** Overdorf reported that the Education
73 Policy Committee met recently and that Steve Hahn provided an overview of the upcoming
74 Middle States interim review. The committee also discussed program review, a process that
75 Overdorf said the committee wants to become more involved with. Godar reported that the
76 Finance and Audit Committee met on June 6th and August 24th. She reported that WPUNJ tuition
77 is now \$8,740 per year for a full time student, and that room and board costs \$9,070 per year.
78 Potacco asked how this compares with our sister institutions, and Godar said that WPUNJ
79 remains right in the middle of the price range. Duffy thanked the Senate representatives for
80 their reports, and thanked Overdorf for her service as she is stepping down in order to take
81 sabbatical leave. He nominated Godar, Ferris and Makarec to continue and Wahrman to replace
82 Overdorf. This was approved unanimously.

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84 **PSYCHOLOGY MASTERS PROGRAM NAME CHANGE:** Korgen, on behalf of Dorothy Feola,
85 moved that the Masters in Applied Clinical Psychology be changed to Clinical Counseling and
86 Psychology. Weltman asked if there was any feedback from the department of Special Education
87 and Counseling on this. Agard-Jones said that this had been worked out. The motion passed
88 unanimously.

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90 **ACADEMIC INTEGRITY VIOLATIONS:** VP for Student Development John Martone and
91 Wartyna Davis discussed the policy and process in place for documenting infractions. Martone
92 said that his office has received phone calls from faculty asking for information about how to
93 handle difficult students. Martone replied that information will soon be posted on a webpage.
94 Glen Sherman, Director of the Counseling, Health & Wellness Center, said that he has prepared
95 a Powerpoint presentation on the subject and will make it available to the faculty. Kim asked if a
96 student can be required to stay in the classroom for an entire exam period. Hahn said that
97 further review and discussion would be required before answering this. Sherman said that his
98 work focuses on aggressive and threatening students. Potacco asked about the process of
99 repeat violations. Martone said that these matters are handled by Associate Dean of Student
100 Development Roland Watts, who coordinates campus judicial activity. Watts said that many
101 cases are settled with a single interview with the student. If the case cannot be thus resolved,
102 Watts said that it goes to a more formal hearing. Watts said that faculty can email him directly
103 about a problem student and that an interview will result. Ferris said that a topic on classroom
104 management and academic integrity from an academic perspective is also needed. Tardi asked

105 if Sherman's presentation could be distilled to a fact sheet that could be distributed to the faculty.
106 Ferris said the Center for Teaching Excellence can help this effort. Godar said that this will be
107 helpful to inexperienced, new faculty. Bhat suggested that the policy be given to students in
108 advance. Watts said that the code of conduct is in the student handbook. Davis discussed the
109 Academic Integrity Violation Report, which she said was used by her department nineteen times
110 last semester, but is little known by faculty. De Young said that the form is available on the K
111 drive. Kim asked about the nature of the reports, and Davis said that most were about research
112 papers copied from online sources. Hahn said that he will talk to the Executive Committee about
113 the Honor Code Committee and overlap between the Provost's Committees and those of the
114 Senate.

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116 **OLD BUSINESS:** Weltman announced that the College of Education, at the behest of NCATE,
117 has set up a program to monitor the "dispositions" of students in teacher certification programs.
118 Weltman said that part of the program involves the distribution of complaint forms that allow
119 university faculty and staff to notify the COE of inappropriate behavior by students seeking
120 certification. Weltman added that such behavior might not be the sort that counts as an
121 institutional infraction.

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123 **NEW BUSINESS:** Scala said that she is organizing a bus to New York to participate in an anti-
124 war rally on September 24th. Contact her for more information.

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126 **ADJOURNMENT:** The Senate adjourned at 1:35 PM. The next meeting will be Tuesday,
127 September 27 at 12:30 PM in Valley Road Room 1016. The Senate meeting schedule can be
128 found online at www.wpunj.edu/senate/schedule.html . The minutes of the Faculty Senate can
129 be found online at www.wpunj.edu/senate/minutes.htm .

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131 Respectfully submitted: K. Wagner, Secretary