

4 **PRESENT:** Bareford, Bhat, Boroznoff, Burns, Chung, Coomes, Edelstein, Ekmekjian,
5 Garcia, Goldstein, Hayden, Jemmott, Kim, Levitan, Makerec, Mukherjee, Overdorf,
6 Parras, Principe, Rabbitt, Robb, Rothman, Sesay, Steinhart, Strasser, Sreenivas,
7 Swanson, Tardi, Torres-DiMaio, Villar, Wagner, Wahrman, Weltman

8 **ABSENT:** Agard-Jones, Catarina, Duffy, Dye, Hartley, Maheshwari, Miller,
9 Morganstern, Murphy, Rosario, Wolf/Kelly

10 **GUESTS:** Bing, Bolyai, Ciliberti, S. Goldstein, Gritsch, S. Hahn, Haroian, Leung, S.
11 Miller, Phadia, Schaeffer, Taylor, Tirado, V. Wagner, M. Williams

12 **PRELIMINARIES:** Chairman Edelstein called the meeting to order at 12:34 p.m. Kim
13 and Burns moved and seconded adoption of the agenda, which was approved
14 unanimously. Rabbitt and Bhat moved and seconded approval of the minutes of the
15 April 23, 2002 Senate meeting. This was also approved unanimously.

16 **CHAIR'S REPORT:** Edelstein distributed a list of the "new" Senate and asked everyone
17 to verify spelling and details. He welcomed the new senators and asked everyone to
18 mark their calendars for September 10, 2002, the first meeting of the fall semester. He
19 announced that vacancies on the Senate from the departments of Environmental
20 Science & Geography and African, African-American & Caribbean Studies would need
21 to be filled. He added that the newly elected senator from the Department of Music had
22 resigned and been replaced by Donaldo Garcia. Edelstein said that at a recent meeting
23 with Provost Sesay he had been told that revisions to the pass/fail and expungement
24 policies submitted by the Academic Standards council and approved by the Senate,
25 would soon be put into practice. Edelstein thanked the Provost on behalf of the Senate
26 for moving these important items forward. He also thanked Jackie Hill for her leadership
27 in the work of the council. Edelstein distributed a summary of the number of returns of
28 the evaluation of the president, provost and vice-presidents noting that this year's return
29 of 181 evaluations (34.4%) was good.

30 **VICE-CHAIR'S REPORT:** Garcia distributed a list of volunteers agreeing to serve on
31 senate councils and committees, which was passed unanimously. He asked that
32 everyone ask around for people willing to fill the vacancies and contact him with this
33 information by e-mail (garciad@wpunj.edu). The final list will be approved at the first
34 senate meeting in the fall.

35 **ELECTION OF THE SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE:** Victoria Wagner, chair of the
36 Elections Committee, called for nominations. Hayden nominated Edelstein for Chair,
37 and was seconded by Wahrman. Tardi nominated Garcia for Vice-chair, and was
38 seconded by M. Goldstein. Burns nominated Wagner for Secretary and was seconded
39 by Overdorf. Burns nominated Tardi for at-large representative. Levitan nominated

40 Wahrman for at-large representative and Overdorf nominated Weltman for at-large
41 representative. As there were no contested positions, the Secretary cast one vote for
42 the slate.

43 **REPORT FROM THE GOVERNANCE COUNCIL TO APPROVE EMERITUS STATUS:**

44 Chair of the council, Deborah Pluss, proposed emeritus status for professors White,
45 Willis, Grier, and asked for more information in support of Haver. The council decided
46 not to recommend Sugarman. Weltman moved and Strasser seconded the proposal.
47 Makerec spoke in favor of Sugarman, noting his positive force within the department
48 and his service to the institution. She moved that the committee reconsider its decision
49 regarding Sugarman. Overdorf seconded this and the motions passed unanimously.
50 Levitan voiced concern that information about individuals not being recommended for
51 tenure was usually not provided to the Senate in open meeting.

52 **REPORT FROM THE GRADUATE COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE SCHOOL NURSE
53 CERTIFICATION PROGRAM:**

54 Rochelle Kaplan, Chair of the council, moved on behalf
55 of the council that this program be implemented. Levitan seconded the motion. Overdorf
56 questioned the presence of undergraduate courses in this program, billed as the
57 equivalent of a graduate level program. Bareford replied that this was done to satisfy
58 state requirements for certification and that some undergraduate courses are equivalent
59 to graduate level offerings. Weltman commented that some baccalaureate certification
60 programs are neither graduate nor undergraduate. He added that slight
programming/course changes will inevitably follow. The proposal passed unanimously.

61 **REPORT FROM THE GRADUATE COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE REVISED MBA:**

62 On behalf of the council, Kaplan moved that the proposed changes to the MBA program be
63 accepted. Burns seconded the motion. Virginia Taylor responded to Burns' question
64 about lower course waivers, saying that students can challenge some of lower core, and
65 transfer students can be placed higher in the program. Overdorf had questions about
66 some of the course outlines. Taylor said that some older courses have been re-
67 numbered. M. Goldstein voiced concern that there was limited emphasis of law in the
68 MBA. Taylor said that the focus is meant to be interdisciplinary and that courses in
69 business, government and society have legal content. Goldstein asked whether there
70 was enough legal experience in the College of Business to teach these matters.
71 Wahrman asked about current enrollment. Taylor said that it is about 77 and hopes for
72 over 100. Kim called the question and motion was approved unanimously. There was a
73 round of applause for Kaplan and the Graduate Council.

74 **RESOLUTION FROM THE UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE
75 REVISED SPANISH MAJOR AND MINOR:**

76 On behalf of the Undergraduate Council,
77 Weltman moved that the requirement changes to the Spanish Major and Minor be
78 approved. Wagner seconded the motion. Bruce Williams spoke in favor of the proposal,
79 which he said would strengthen and streamline the program. The proposal passed
unanimously

80 **RESOLUTION FROM THE ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE TO APPROVE THE**
81 **REVISED PROGRAM REVIEW DOCUMENT:** Overdorf moved on behalf of the council
82 that the revisions to the document, which include the Library in program reviews, be
83 adopted. Weltman seconded the motion. Rabbitt commended the work of the council.
84 Overdorf thanked Dona Fountakidis for her support. The motion passed unanimously
85 and Edelstein praised the leadership of Overdorf and the work of the council.

86 **RESOLUTION FROM THE UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL TO APPROVE THE**
87 **REVISIONS IN THE BS IN ACCOUNTING AND THE BS IN BUSINESS**
88 **ADMINISTRATION:** Weltman moved on behalf of the council that the change to the
89 requirements for the BS in Accounting and the BS in Business Administration be
90 approved. Burns raised a concern over 1.5 credit classes. He suggested using existing
91 philosophy courses to satisfy the requirement for ethics course content. Dean Borinoco
92 thanked the Senate for considering this proposal and noted that it contained measures
93 necessary for AACSB certification compliance. Burns repeated that he felt a 1.5 credit
94 course is of questionable value and suggested that ethics be taught by the Philosophy
95 Department. Borinoco replied that some new faculty would be business ethics
96 specialists. Tardi commented that students might not take a 1.5 credit class seriously.
97 Borinoco said that the two 1.5 credit courses, Business Ethics and Diversity, are meant
98 to be taken together. Steinhart voiced opposition to the Business Ethics course and said
99 that his offer to develop an appropriate course received no response. Borinoco
100 remarked that the College has applied for a deferral in AACSB accreditation and he is
101 willing to explore a more in-depth ethics course, but said that it is necessary to have
102 certain things in place. Hayden expressed concern that faculty would be on overload
103 teaching these courses. Goldstein defended the proposal, saying that it was necessary
104 to meet accreditation demands and that she applauded the work of the College in this
105 effort. Weltman said that these matters have already been discussed in the Council and
106 obviously issues would be worked out and revisions will be necessary. Extended
107 discussion focused on whether there is enough faculty to meet the demands of these
108 changes and its relationship to the content of GE. The motion passed: 17 aye, 1 nay
109 and 10 abstentions.

110 **ADJOURNMENT:** The Faculty Senate adjourned at 1:48 PM. The next meeting will be
111 held Tuesday, September 10, 2002 in SC 203-4,5.

112 Respectfully Submitted, [Kurt W. Wagner](#), Secretary
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