

Franklin College Faculty Senate
Minutes of the meeting on Tuesday, November 13, 2012

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM in room 150 of the Miller Learning Center, Scott Dougan presiding.

Members Present: Ibigbolade Aderibigbe, Christine Albright, Joshua Barkan, Dana Bultman, Brandon Craswell, Chris Cuomo, Shanta Dhar, Fred Dolezal, Scott Dougan, Rebecca Enghauser, Christine Franklin, Shelby Funk, Christine Haase, Uwe Happek, Charles Hopkinson, Miriam Jacobson, Natarajan Kannan, Jim Lauderdale, Nicolás Lucero, Reid Messich, Jan Mrazek, Robert Phillips, Patricia Richards, Dan Rood, Mitch Rothstein, Jake Short, Richard Suplita, Saral Surakul, Jon Swindler, Karim Traore, Zachary Wood, and Xiangrong Yin.

Proxies: Sa'ar Hersonsky (proxy for Daniel Nakano), Steven Kowalewski (proxy for Virginia Nazarea), Daniel Promislow (proxy for Mike Arnold), Paul Schroeder (proxy for Mike Roden), Bernd Schuttler (proxy for Budak Arpinar).

Members not present: Maor Bar-Peled, Trina Cyterski, Kelly Happe, Kanzo Nakayama, Angela Yao.

Visitors: Christine Miller from the Franklin College Dean's office and Kay Stanton from Classics.

Approval of the minutes of the 16 October 2012 meeting: Approved without corrections.

President Scott Dougan's Remarks

- No remarks

Dean Dorsey's Remarks

- Dean Dorsey encouraged the senators to visit the Franklin College website to read about the accomplishments of faculty. He asked that items be sent to Franklin College for placement on the website.
- Upcoming workshop: The Dean's office in collaboration with the Office of the VP for Research has organized a one-day workshop on grant writing to be held on Reading Day, Dec. 5, 2012. The workshop will focus on NSF and NIH grants. Associate Dean Russell Malmberg is coordinating the workshop. There is an opportunity to send additional faculty than originally planned. Dean Dorsey encouraged more nominations. He noted that in the previous week, the Willson Center supported a grant-writing workshop for the humanities.
- Fall Commencement: Dean Dorsey encouraged faculty to attend both the fall undergraduate and graduate commencements. The date is December 14, 2012 with the undergraduate commencement at 9:30am (Arthur Blank of Home Depot as speaker) and the graduate commencement at 2:30pm (Fran Teague, UGA English Professor as speaker).
- Faculty Development Program: The Dean's office is working to revive the Faculty Development Program that operated until 2008. Dean Dorsey welcomes any comments and thoughts on how best to implement the Faculty Development Program.

Committee Reports:

- Academic Standards Committee: Received 11 petitions, approved 6, denied 5.
- Curriculum Committee: Approved 7 course changes, approved MA non-thesis proposal, approved a major name change and terminating a current degree, approved 1 major change, approved 1 minor change, and 1 bulletin change approved.

- Executive Committee: No new business reported.
- Committee on Faculty Affairs: Christine Miller will present today on policy of administrative control over workplace computers.
- Committee on Planning & Evaluation: No new business reported.

New Business:

- Christine Miller, Assistant Dean and Director of Franklin College OIT, gave a presentation on the Franklin College policy of administrative control over workplace computers. The presentation consisted of background, objective, and strategy information about the policy. Dr. Miller indicated the policy is for both desktop and laptop computers. Franklin College has been retaining administrative rights for the past two years but the policy has been phased in gradually from department to department. She noted this policy is considered best practice for security and risk management issues. Our aspirational schools have a similar policy. There are approximately 300 devices for each IT person. It is felt this policy will help prevent faculty from dealing with viruses, unplanned downtime, and lost data. Dr. Miller indicated that the policy is a way to move toward being proactive and setting up preventive maintenance instead of 'fire fighting'. Other positives that Dr. Miller mentioned were (1) meeting demand more effectively (2) providing support for emerging technologies, (3) setting up automatic updates, and (4) creating available and dependable IT services. Her office has the goal of making the implementation as painless as possible. After her presentation, Dr. Miller received questions and concerns from the senators. Some of the concerns expressed were: (1) Some faculty have special IT needs (such as designing own software) – Dr. Miller indicated her office would work with these faculty to develop a plan (2) The perception that larger departments have more autonomy and (3) Some faculty expressed non support for the policy and strongly feel the policy is not working. It was suggested by the Senators that (1) a process be in place for Dr. Miller's office to receive feedback on this policy and a way to address the feedback with faculty and (2) reach out to other institutions about their problems and how these institutions solved the problems. Dr. Miller indicated she would return in March 2013 for a follow up discussion. Dr. Dougan formed an advisory committee to provide feedback to Dr. Miller and her office.
- Two curriculum proposals were presented to the Senate and voted upon: (1) Classics Department Reorganization – Major Name Change and Major Degree Termination (a proposal to have the undergraduate program better match the graduate program) and (2) Art History Non-thesis MA Proposal. The Senate voted on both proposals. The Senate passed the Classics Department Reorganization Proposal unanimously. The vote was 37 approve. The Senate passed the Art History Non-thesis MA Proposal. The vote was 36 approve and one abstain.

Meeting was adjourned at 4:22 PM.

Respectfully submitted,
Christine Franklin
Franklin College Senate Secretary and Senator for Statistics

**FRANKLIN COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT
NOVEMBER 13, 2012**

Curriculum Description	Approved
Course Changes	7 course changes
<p>Proposals Approved:</p> <p>Art History MA Non-thesis Proposal Classics Proposal to Change Major Name & Terminate a Degree English Major Changes Genetics Minor Changes Romance Languages Bulletin Changes</p>	