

Franklin College Faculty Senate
Minutes of meeting on Tuesday 16 November 2010

The meeting was called to order at 3:30 PM in room 504 Journalism, Diana Ranson presiding.

Members present: Mike Arnold, Joshua Barkan, Maor Bar-Peled, Wayne Coppins, Chris Cuomo, Gauri Datta, Scott Dougan, Michael Geller, William Graham, Christopher Hocking, Charles Hopkinson, Jim Lauderdale, Kang Li, John Lynch, Kanzo Nakayama, Ron Orlando, Diana Ranson, Michael Robinson, John Rose, Mitch Rothstein, Nick Rynearson, Adam Sabra, Mark Schell, Jake Short, Chris Sieving, Roger Stahl, Karim Traore, Stefaan Van Liefferinge, Rheeda Walker-Obasi, Lianchun Wang, Aidan Wasley, Mark Wheeler, Xiangrong Yin

Proxies: Inge DiBella (for Renate Born), Gary Douberly (for Tim Dore), Betina Kaplan (for Nicolas Lucero), David Smilde (for Patricia Richards), Steve Kowalewski (for Susan Tanner)

Members not present: Fred Dolezal, Ray Freeman-Lynde, Philip Holmes, Marguerite Madden

Approval of the minutes of the October 19, 2010 meeting: Approved without discussion.

Remarks by presiding officer Diana Ranson: Professor Ranson clarified options for finding a proxy for the senate, advising senators that a proxy need not be from one's own department. She reminded the senate that the UGA campaign for charity is ongoing.

Remarks by Dean Stokes: The Dean observed that the college remains in a "holding pattern" with respect to faculty recruitment as she continues to await news, expected in the very near future, on funding. Undecided issues, including spring 2011 instructional funds, are currently restricting the college to limited recruitment. In response to a question about whether the current move by the English department to hire ten non-tenure-track lecturers on one-year renewable contracts to teach a four/four course load suggests any erosion of the university's commitment to tenure-track research faculty, the Dean observed that it was intended to help the college rely less on part-time faculty and was unrelated to faculty recruitment. In response to complaints about ELC downtime, the Dean indicated that, although the matter is beyond her purview, she will try to find out a little more about the matter.

New business:

The proposal for a Ph.D. program in Interdisciplinary Biomedical Sciences, already approved by the Curriculum Committee, passed unanimously without discussion.

The proposal for an M.A. degree in Industrial-Organization Psychology, already approved by the Curriculum Committee, passed unanimously without discussion.

Proposals to amend Franklin College Faculty Senate Bylaws:

1. Proposal to add the word “full-time” to describe Franklin College faculty in Article I, Section I. Failed nine to twenty-five by a show of hands. The matter was referred back to the senate for further study.
2. Proposal to replace the words “The President of the Senate” in Article I, Section III to “The Executive Committee of the Senate.” Passed by voice vote.
3. Proposal to remove the word “thirteen” from Article II, Section I. After a discussion of the proposal, Jake Short made a motion, seconded by Adam Sabra, to withdraw the change since it was decided that “thirteen” was correct. The vote was unanimous to withdraw the change.
4. Proposal to replace the following language, from Article III, Section I, Item 8: “for the secretariat of the Senate, for each vacancy on the standing committees of the Senate, and for each vacancy on such special Senate committees as the Senate shall have created. The Committee shall present the slate of nominees to the Senate as part of the agenda for the August meeting of each year.” with the following new language: “for President-Elect, Secretary and all standing committee positions and special committee positions, if any, at the April meeting of the Senate. The President-elect will be voted on at the April meeting and the other positions will be voted on at the August meeting the following year”. Passed unanimously without discussion.
5. Upon clarification from Dean Ruppensburg, Ron Orlando moved to withdraw the proposal to amend Article III, Sections II and III, which called for removing the sentence “The associate dean may vote to decide issues which the committee cannot decide by a majority vote of its members”. The motion to withdraw this proposal was seconded by Jake Short and passed unanimously.
6. Proposal to replace language in Article III, Section V reading “shall appoint three members of this committee to serve along with members appointed by the Senate” with the following language: “may appoint up to three members of this committee to serve along with the members appointed by the Senate. The Dean’s appointees will serve a term of one academic year like the other members of the committee”. Passed unanimously without discussion.

Committee Reports:

Academic Standards Committee: The committee denied one petition. Two are pending.

Curriculum Committee: The committee reported approval of eleven new courses, four course proposals and sixteen course changes.

Executive Committee: No report.

Faculty Affairs Committee: No report.

Committee on Planning and Evaluation: No report.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Jake Short, Secretary and Senator from History

**FRANKLIN COLLEGE CURRICULUM COMMITTEE REPORT
NOVEMBER 16, 2010**

Curriculum Description	Approved
New Courses Reviewed	11 new courses
Course Changes	16 course changes
Proposals Approved: Dance Curriculum Changes LACS 1000 approved as a course to meet Gen Ed core requirement in Area IV New Ph.D. Program in Interdisciplinary Biomedical Sciences M.A. degree in Industrial-Organizational (I-O) Psychology	