The Faculty Senate was called to order by Robert Rosenman, Chair on Thursday November 14, 2013, in FSHN T101 at 3:30 p.m. Thirty-six (36) members were present with fourteen (14) absent and six (6) nonvoting members present.

Minutes of October 10, 2013 meeting were approved as circulated.

Announcements (Information items).

1. Senate Officers met with Interim Provost Bernardo on November 5, 2013.
2. Senate Chair met with President Floyd on November 7, 2013.
4. Minor Change Bulletin #4 (Exhibit Y)
5. Senate Chair visited the Tri-Cities campus and interacted with faculty.
6. Senate officers and staff attended the PAC 12 Leadership Conference in Eugene, Oregon on November 1st and 2nd.
7. AAC and UCORE Course proposal (Exhibit Z)

Announcements (Reports).

1. Remarks by the Chair.—R. Rosenman
   The Provost search is underway.

   The creation of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Provost and the Faculty Senate on how to handle the Creation Movement, Renaming or Elimination of Departments and Colleges was finalized and is listed as the discussion item (Exhibit U).

   An ad hoc committee to address issues with Zzusis has been formed.

   Ken Casavant met with the Steering Committee to discuss measures being implemented to assess the positive and negative issues from the 10/31/13 Thursday night football game.

Additions or Changes to the Agenda.
   Motion to move Discussion Item #2 to Action Item #12. Motion carried.

Agenda Items. (Action Items)

1. Recommendation from Academic Affairs for Major Change Bulletin #2 (Exhibit I).-R.Zack
   Motion carried.

   Motion carried.
   Motion carried.

4. Recommendation from Academic Affairs for UCORE Bulletin #3 (Exhibit M).
   – R. Zack
   Motion carried.

5. Recommendation from Graduate Studies for Graduate Major Change Bulletin #2 (Exhibit N). – J. Yoder
   Motion carried.

6. Recommendation from Graduate Studies for changes to revise the major requirements in
   for the PhD in Molecular Biosciences program. The program proposes to decrease
   their graded credits from 21 to 15 for the PhD degree. (Exhibits O, O1). – J. Yoder
   Motion carried.

7. Recommendation from Graduate Studies for changes to extend the Professional Science
   Master’s in Electrical Engineering program to the Global Campus (Exhibits Q, Q1).
   – J. Yoder
   Motion carried.

8. Recommendation from Graduate Studies for changes to close the PhD in PharmSci
   program in Pullman and move it to Spokane (Exhibits R, R1). – J. Yoder
   Motion carried.

9. Recommendation from Graduate Studies for changes to close the Nutrition and Exercise
   Physiology PhD program in Pullman and retain the program in Spokane (Exhibits S, S1).
   J. Yoder
   Motion carried.

10. Recommendation from Graduate Studies for changes of the status to the Criminal Justice
    program to the Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology (Exhibits T, T1).- J. Yoder
    Motion carried.

11. Recommendation from the Steering Committee to expand the Faculty Affairs Committee by
    adding three new non-voting positions (one from each of the urban campuses of Spokane,
    Tri-Cities and Vancouver) and that the faculty from the urban campuses of Spokane, Tri-
    Cities and Vancouver would select their respective representative..
    Motion carried.

12. Recommendation from Graduate Studies for the creation of the Masters of Science in
    Agriculture Plant Health Management option (Exhibits V, V1, V2).- J. Yoder
    Motion carried.
Agenda Items. (Discussion Items).

1. Memorandum of Understanding between the Provost and the Faculty Senate on how to handle the Creation Movement, Renaming or Elimination of Departments and Colleges. (Exhibit U)

   Discussion: It was re-stated that the Faculty Senate would be consulted throughout the process, but would not have any voting power. Having this MOU in place will standardize creation, movement or elimination of departments and colleges and it will pertain to any proposals in that are in the process as well as any future actions. Approved to move forward as an action item.

2. Recommendation from Graduate Studies for the creation of the Masters of Science in Agriculture Plant Health Management option (Exhibits V, V1, V2).- J. Yoder
   No discussion

   No discussion

4. Recommendation from Academic Affairs for UCORE Bulletin #4 (Exhibit X).- R. Zack
   No discussion

5. Recommendation from Academic Affairs for a Proposal to revise Rule 54 (Exhibit B).- R.Zack
   No discussion

Constituents' Concerns.

It was noted that the latest News and World Report ranking colleges has come out and WSU’s ranking slipped from its previous position. What would be the cause of that? It was noted that there are a variety of factors used to create the rankings. It was noted the Faculty Senate Officers will bring this subject up at the next Provost’s meeting.

Will plans for new building projects on the Pullman campus come before the Senate to review? It was noted that this issue will be brought up at the next meeting with the President.

Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 3:56 p.m.

Sheila Converse, Executive Secretary