The Faculty Senate was called to order by A.G. Rud, Chair on Thursday September 8, 2016, in FSHN T101 at 3:30 p.m. thirty-eight (38) members were present with eight (8) absent and seven (7) nonvoting members present.

Minutes of April 14, 2016 meeting were approved as circulated.

Announcements (Information items).

Information Items.

1. The Faculty Senate Officers met with the President on August 29, 2016
2. Minor Change Bulletin #1 (Exhibit B)
3. Steering Committee Summer Approval:
   a. Addendum 1 to Graduate Major Change Bulletin No. 10 on 5/13/16
   b. The ESF College of Medicine Curriculum Map on June 13, 2016
   c. Streamlined process on Major Curricular Changes

Announcements (Reports).

1. Remarks by the Chair.—A.G. Rud

Additions or Changes to the Agenda. Motion to move Discussion Item #1 to an Action Item. Motion carried.

Agenda Items (Action Items)

1. Recommendation from the Graduate Studies Committee to approve the proposal for Change degree name from Master of Arts in Foreign Languages and Cultures to Master of Arts in Hispanic Studies (Exhibits N N1)
   Motion carried

2. Recommendation from the Graduate Studies Committee to approve the proposal for a request to revise sub-plan requirements of the EE Professional Science Masters in Electrical Power Engineering (Exhibits P P1 )
   Motion carried

3. Recommendation from the Graduate Studies Committee to approve the proposal for the sub-plan requirements for the PhD in American Studies: Ethnic Studies (Exhibits Q Q1 )
   Recommendation from the Graduate Studies Committee to approve the proposal for the sub-plan requirements for the PhD in American Studies: Women’s Studies (Exhibits R R1 )
   Motion Carried
4. Recommendation from the Steering Committee for the Senate to consider the request to amend the proposal approved at Senate on 02.25.16 (see below). This would elevate sub-plans to majors of the three Communication degrees (Exhibits S, S1, S2)
Motion carried

5. Recommendation from Steering Committee to re-instate Dr. Robert Greenberg as past chair (Exhibit C)
Motion Carried

Agenda Items (Discussion Items).

1. Recommendation from Steering Committee to re-instate Dr. Robert Greenberg as past chair (Exhibit C) Motion to move to an action item. Motion carried. Motion to re-instate Robert Greenberg as Faculty Senate Past Chair for the 2016-17 year. Motion carried.

2. Recommendation from Steering Committee to amend the composition of the Legislative sub-committee of the Steering Committee (Exhibit E) – No Discussion

3. Recommendation from Steering Committee to amend the composition and tenure of membership criteria on Faculty Senate Committees (Exhibit F) – No Discussion

4. Recommendation from Steering Committee to approve the Faculty Senate Committees (Exhibit D) – No Discussion

VI. Constituents' Concerns.

It was asked that a plan be created for the future in the event that a past chair is not eligible to serve.

A question arose regarding the FAC progress on some key issues: Bullying policy status? This is now in the BPPM. Status of the non-tenure track revision. It was advised that this still must come before the Board of Regents.

Several concerns were raised regarding the lack of adequate parking.

A concern arose regarding an editorial and the ranking of WSU based upon the SAT scores of incoming students. Is this data correct? It was noted this needs to be followed up and verified.

A suggestion was made to convert our leave reports to electronic files.

A concern arose regarding the proposal to close Stadium Way. It was noted that this was a long range plan and it is within the master campus plan.

A concern was voiced regarding the library’s cancellation of journals.

A concern was voiced regarding the role of extension in Faculty.

A concern was again noted that trash pick in the offices needs to resume.

From the last meeting, these concerns will be brought to the attention of the Provost:
A question arose regarding the status of having a faculty representative on the Board of Regents. It was reported this action needs to be approved at the State Legislature and is being pursued cooperatively with UW.

A concern arose regarding Global Campus offering courses that have been condensed into a seven week course from a full semester for undergraduates. It was noted the Executive Officers will bring this issue to the attention of the Provost.

An additional concern arose regarding inadequate resources for faculty teaching large classes The Executive Officer will bring this to the attention of the Provost.

VII. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 4:18 p.m.

Sheila Converse, Executive Secretary