

Wake Forest University Senate 2009-2010
Minutes
February 3, 2010

The University Senate held its fourth regularly scheduled meeting of the 2009-2010 academic year in DeTamble Auditorium, Tribble Hall on the Reynolda campus. The following members were present:

Administration: Matt Cullinan, Lynn Sutton, Jill Tiefenthaler

College: Jane Albrecht, Anne Boyle, Carole Browne, William Connor, Paul Escott, Mary Friedman, Judy Kem, Ellen Miller, Kathy Smith

Graduate School: Greg Kucera

School of Medicine: Ed Haponik, Sara Jones, Mark Miller, Lynn Wagenknecht, Bill Ward, Ron Zagoria

School of Law: Dick Schneider

Schools of Business: Umit Akinc, Derrick Boone, James Cotter, Jack Meredith, Ken Middaugh

Divinity School: Neal Walls

Staff: Randy Cockerham

The following visitor was in attendance: Susan Smith

The meeting was called to order by Senate President Carole Browne at 4:00 p.m. Minutes of the meeting of November 18, 2009 were approved as submitted.

Reports from standing committees.

University Integration (UI) Ken Middaugh presented the significant bylaws changes involved in converting from a University to Faculty Senate:

- 1) Introduced a friendly amendment, which was seconded and passed, to delete a redundant sentence in Article III, section b.
- 2) Proposed change in number of elected senators to:

Unit	Current	Proposed
College	12	16
Medical	6	6
Business	6	6
Law	3	3
Graduate	3	1
Divinity	1	1

Library	0	2
TOTAL	31	35

Discussion followed, some arguing in favor of greater representation from Med school based on number of faculty (1000), some satisfied with 6, since most Senate business involves Reynolda campus issues and since Med school faculty have other mechanisms to deal with issues that arise on that campus. Motion made that number of representatives from Medical school be 8, and from Graduate school, 2 (one each from Reynolda and Hawthorne campuses). Motion seconded and passed. It was then moved that the College number be 15, seconded and passed. Total of elected representatives to Faculty Senate will be 37 (with 11 ex-officio members).

3) Proposed other changes to bylaws:

Change Article II, Section 1 from “There will be two classes of members: (1) ex-officio and (2) elected representatives. All elected representatives are entitled to vote” to “There will be two classes of members: (1) ex-officio and (2) elected representatives. Only elected representatives are entitled to vote” (accepted); change wording of Article III, Section 4, C, 6 regarding Committee on Academic Freedom and Responsibility from “The members of this committee are responsible for serving” to “The members of this committee may serve” (not accepted); add the clause “as well as addressing other issues related to Academic Freedom and Responsibility” to the sentence “The members of this committee are responsible for serving as members of panels for the dismissal of a tenured faculty member”(accepted); add “senior librarian” where “full professor” appears in the bylaws, phrase to read “full professor / senior librarian,” and “librarian” where “associate professor” appears (accepted); and add “Z. Smith Reynolds” to clarify which WFU library will have representatives to Faculty Senate (accepted).

A question from floor regarding whether to add provisions for electronic voting and secret ballots to the bylaws was followed by discussion and consensus that neither procedure will be written into the bylaws, but either is acceptable according to Robert’s Rules of Order.

Ken Middaugh moved that bylaws be adopted as amended; seconded and passed. Bylaws will go before Board of Trustees for approval at their April, 2010 meeting, and will be shared electronically with all Senators.

There were no other committee reports.

Invited address by Michelle Roehm, Senior Associate Dean, Schools of Business

Presentation focused on “vital statistics” since merger of two schools on 7/1/2009:

- 1) Programs: 7 total; the executive MBA was dropped in merger
- 2) Students: 1041 total (405 undergraduate); total growth of 10% last year (especially in MA program, now with 90 students); efforts to increase diversity via individual corporate sponsors and scholarships (tuition and stipend)
- 3) Faculty: 64 total (45 tenured, 10 tenure-track, 9 lecturers and professors of the practice), plus 6 visitors/adjuncts

- 4) Upcoming events: Ken Bain workshop, 20th annual marketing summit and panel on diversity in corporate America

This was followed by a question and answer session, including, but not limited to, the following:

Where will the money come from to build a new Business building? Fund-raising.

What % of the courses taught in the Schools of Business are taught by adjuncts, and is this a problem? 21-22%. There is a huge national shortage of business Ph.D.s, so it is difficult to fill open positions. Professors of the practice and lecturers help bring recent marketplace experience.

What is the status of the undergraduate faculty? Are they still a separate faculty? How will they interact with the College? Business schools are a separate unit now, there is no undergraduate faculty within SOB. Informal relationships between college and former Calloway faculties will continue. University will try to include SOB faculty on committees that deal with undergraduate students.

How does the merger affect the student:faculty ratio of the College, since the Calloway faculty are no longer part of the College? Class size in SOB tends to be in the 20s, undergraduate, and 30 or so, graduate.

When do people get to choose where they would like to be on the faculty track model? Faculty Path model applies post-tenure. In merger, everyone was matched to a path, which lasts 3 years.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 5:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane W. Albrecht
Senate Secretary