Minutes for approval!!! Please respond to Todd & Jean

Faculty Senate Meeting – October 6, 2004
Humanities - 205

Present: Frank Adams, Joe Blankenau, Kathy Conway, Karen Walker, Glenn Kietzmann, Jean Lutt, Jeryl Nelson, John Renzelman, Vic Reynolds, Todd Young, Cameron Geisert, Siobhan Kelly, Ron Whitt

Absent: David Bohnert

The Faculty Senate meeting was called to order by Todd Young at 7:00 a.m. The minutes of the September 9 meeting were approved as written. For the purpose of posting the minutes in a timely manner, Todd reminded senators to approve or send corrections to him via email. Once they have been approved, they will be distributed to everyone via the campus network system.

Agenda items included the following:

- **Reports:**
  - President’s Cabinet – No report as they have not met since previous senate meeting.
  - Academic Council – No report—they will meet on Oct 7.
  - AQIP – Frank A. commented that the final AQIP report is being reviewed for inconsistencies. The original 50-page document has been modified to include up to 150 pages. It is available online.

- **Old Business:**
  - Department Chair Election Process – Comments reflected a positive process for this election. Concern was expressed in regard to the amount of duties that these positions require even though they are considered “faculty” positions—not administrative. Ron W. indicated that the Bargaining Committee works closely with all faculty and is interested in hearing about any relative concerns or issues. This committee will be meeting on Sunday, October 10.
  - Mentoring program – Three buildings have not reported a mentor for their buildings. This should be done soon so the names can be submitted for training purposes.

- **New Business:**
  - "Spirit Fridays" – was discussed but everyone agreed that dress guidelines were not implied toward faculty.
  - Faculty Senate representation on Assessment and Oversite Committee – Faculty are already represented through each of the schools. Therefore, no additional faculty needs to be assigned to this committee.
  - Graduate Council membership inquiry – The issue in regard to conflict of interest should be worked out within the council.
  - Evaluation of on-line courses and technology – After much discussion, it was decided to have the committee that evaluated the on-campus student opinionnaire work on this document. This committee includes Ron Whitt, Jack Imdieke, Tammy Evetovich, Bob Sweetland, and Jeryl Nelson (new).
  - Cooperative Education office granting credit – to be discussed later.
  - Faculty Senate website – Todd indicated that the new website will contain links to all committees, minutes, agendas which should be very useful to all faculty.
  - Pres. Collings Invitation – The senate decided to invite Dr. Collings to the next Fac. Senate meeting to discuss the VPAA search, communication, and plans for the future.

- **Search** – The senate decided to put an ad in the Chronicle for the VPAA position.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:20 a.m. The next meeting will be held on October 19 at 7 a.m.

Respectfully submitted, Jean Lutt, CTIS Department