

1 William Paterson University – **FACULTY SENATE MINUTES** – January 29, 2002

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4 **PRESENT:** Agard-Jones, Bareford, Bhat, Bing, Cho, Chung, Coomes, Danzinger, De Young, Duffy, Dye, Edelstein,
5 Garcia, Goldstein, Gulbranson, S. Hahn, Hayden, Jaber, Kelly, Kim, Levitan, Link, Maheshwari, Makarec, McClean,
6 Miller, Morganstern, Murphy, Mwaura, Nag, Newton (for Burns), Overdorf, Owusu, Phadia, Principe, Rabbit, Reiss,
7 Rothman, Scala, Sesay, Steinhart, Strasser, Swanson, Tardi, Torres-Dimaio, Villar, Wagner, Wahrman, Weltman

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9 **ABSENT:** Parras

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11 **GUESTS:** Ciliberti, S. Goldstein, M. Hahn, Kearney, K. Malanga, S. Miller, Ramos, Schaeffer, Vicari, Zeman

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13 **PRELIMINARIES:** Chairperson Edelstein called the Senate to order at 12:35 PM. Duffy and Bareford moved and
14 seconded adoption of the agenda, which passed unanimously. Duffy and Bareford moved and seconded acceptance of the
15 minutes of the December 11, 2001 meeting and this was also passed unanimously.

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17 **CHAIR'S REPORT:** Edelstein welcomed the senators back after the winter break. He announced that Lois Wolf has, for
18 medical reasons, been obliged to discontinue all but necessary teaching duties and would no longer be able to attend the
19 Senate. Christine Kelly will substitute for Wolf representing the Department of Political Science. Mike Principe will take
20 over duties as Parliamentarian. Edelstein reminded everyone that the next Senate meeting will be on Thursday, February
21 14. He also announced that on February 6 and 7 from 9:30 AM until 3:00 PM there will be an election for the Sabbatical
22 Leave Committee, College of Humanities and Social Sciences. Edelstein also reminded the Senate that on Thursday,
23 February 21 from 12:30 to 1:50 there will be a Forum on the Faculty Recruitment of Students held in the Atrium
24 Auditorium. Edelstein announced that on Thursday April 4 there will be a meeting at Hobart Manor of New Jersey
25 Faculty Senate Chairs and Vice-chairs. Edelstein recognized Bob Murphy, who on behalf of Instruction & Research
26 Technology introduced Dr. Sandi Miller, the new Director of IRT.

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28 **VICE-CHAIR'S REPORT:** Garcia remarked that he is still trying to fill vacancies in the Senate Councils and
29 Committees. He nominated Stephen Newton, English Department, to fill a vacancy in the Athletic Activities Council. M.
30 Goldstein seconded the nomination. He announced vacancies in Governance and Assessment Councils and solicited
31 suggestions for nominations. Garcia mentioned the current social and political upheaval in his native Argentina and urged
32 the faculty to attend the February 4 performance of Trio Medina, an Argentine musical company, at the Shea Center.

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34 **RESOLUTION ON UPPER-LEVEL ELECTIVES:** On behalf of the Senate Executive Committee, Edelstein moved
35 and M. Goldstein seconded a resolution that college policy on the upper-level elective requirement shall be respected. The
36 motion passed unanimously.

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38 **PRESENTATION BY THE LIBRARIANS:** On behalf of the Librarians, Kathy Malanga, Assistant Director for Access
39 and Information Services, presented an overview of electronic access to library resources. Malanga showed how a topic
40 can be searched on using the online catalog of books and media, electronic books accessed, topics researched using full-
41 text periodical databases such as OCLC's Firstsearch and Ebsco's Academic Search Premier. Malanga demonstrated the
42 JSTOR database, which contains full-text of large runs of Humanities, Education, Science and Social Science journals.
43 Malanga showed the online request forms whereby books, media and periodicals can be requested for addition to the
44 Library collection, and showed the new "Cheng Library Extra," electronic newsletter, which will announce events, new
45 resources, and other library-related news. Malanga concluded by discussing the easy remote access to the library
46 databases by use of one's WPUNJ network username and password.

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48 **RESOLUTION FROM THE UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL: PROPOSED CHANGE TO SUBJECT FIELD (N-
49 12) CERTIFICATION PROGRAM:** On behalf of the Undergraduate Council, Lori Ramos presented the resolution to
50 change the N-12 Certification Program. Goldstein and Danzinger moved and seconded adoption of the resolution.
51 Weltman explained that the change simply rearranges the "field experience" part of the program by eliminating the CISE
52 290/Field Experience I course and expanding the CISE 351/Field Experience II course. This provides two days per week
53 of practicum for one semester rather than one day per week for two semesters. Weltman said that although it impacts the
54 semester in which it is taken by being a two-day per week commitment, it only lasts a single semester. After a brief
55 discussion the motion passed unanimously.

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57 **RESOLUTION FROM THE UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL: PROPOSED CHANGE TO APPLIED**

58 **CHEMISTRY MAJOR:** On behalf of the Undergraduate Council, Lori Ramos presented the resolution to change the
59 Applied Chemistry Program. Duffy and Bareford moved and seconded adoption of the resolution. Dean Phadia explained
60 that the change to the program would combine the present two concentrations within the program into a unified Applied
61 Chemistry B. S. degree. The rationale is that the department cannot fully support the courses for both concentrations. He
62 said that the changes would keep the program in line with professional standard guidelines. Wahrman asked if the
63 Biochemistry concentration would end. Phadia acknowledged that this concentration would end after currently enrolled
64 students complete their coursework. Morganstern asked whether classes were being offered if only one or two students
65 were enrolled. Phadia said that accommodations were made but such under enrolled classes were not taught. The motion
66 passed unanimously.

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68 **RESOLUTION FROM THE UNDERGRADUATE COUNCIL: PROPOSED CHANGE TO THE UNIVERSITY**
69 **HONORS PROGRAM:** On behalf of the Undergraduate Council, Lori Ramos presented the resolution to change the

70 University Honors Program. Duffy and Bareford moved and seconded adoption of the resolution. Martin Hahn, Director
71 of the Honors Program, explained that the proposed change would require that students in the program take three of their
72 General Education courses in Honors sections of these courses. He said that a set of policies to accommodate incoming
73 transfer students into the Honors Program is forthcoming. In reply to a question by Kim, Hahn said that completion of the
74 program is noted on a graduate's diploma and transcripts. Kim asked if SAT scores and high school rank are the program's
75 primary admission criteria. Hahn said that high school coursework as well as rank are considered in the admission
76 process. Levitan asked how incoming students taking 100 level GE honors classes devise their course schedules. Hahn
77 said that students are guided by tracking all honors students, monitoring of GPA and surveys of all students. He said that
78 some students are administratively placed in honors classes and that a high percentage of these students succeed. He said
79 that students are advised and encouraged to take the honors cluster courses. Steinhart spoke in support of the cluster
80 program. Scala asked how we are helping those who do not quite qualify for the program. Hahn said that a forthcoming
81 initiative would target this population. In reply to a question by Overdorf, Hahn said that applications for new honors
82 tracks are coming in but that he feels the number of tracks would stabilize at about ten. After further discussion a vote was
83 taken. With one abstention the motion passed.

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85 **ADJOURNMENT:** The Faculty Senate adjourned at 1:45 PM. The next meeting will be Thursday, February 14 in SC
86 203, 4 & 5.

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88 Respectfully Submitted, [Kurt W. Wagner](#), Secretary

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