

WESTERN ILLINOIS UNIVERSITY
FACULTY SENATE
Regular Meeting, 8 November 2016, 4:00 p.m.
Capitol Rooms - University Union

A C T I O N M I N U T E S

SENATORS PRESENT: M. Allison, V. Boynton, D. DeVolder, R. Hironimus-Wendt, K. Kapale, C. Keist, N. Lino, B. Locke, S. Macchi, H. McIlvaine-Newsad, J. McNabb, K. Pawelko, J. Plos, C. Pynes, T. Sadler, M. Sajewski, D. Sandage, S. Szyjka, C. Tarrant
Ex-officio: Kathy Neumann, Interim Provost; Janna Deitz, Parliamentarian

SENATORS ABSENT: J. Brown, G. Delany-Barmann, D. Halverson, T. Roberts

GUESTS: Ray Diez, Eric Gurzell, Anita Hardeman, Lorri Kanauss, Angela Lynn, George Mangalaraj, Sue Martinelli-Fernandez, Jim McQuillan, Mary Mhango, Russ Morgan, Jill Myers, Nancy Parsons, Ron Williams

I. Consideration of Minutes

A. 25 October 2016

MINUTES APPROVED AS DISTRIBUTED

II. Announcements

A. Provost's Report

Interim Provost Neumann expressed thanks to everyone who attended the recent scholarship banquet. She related that the Grand Ballroom was full of scholarship recipients, some of whom got to meet their scholarship donors.

Interim Provost Neumann made several personnel announcements:

- Jeff Hancks, Library Archives, has been named the Interim Director of the School of Distance Learning, International Studies, and Outreach. Dr. Hancks began in the position last week and replaces Rick Carter, who recently retired.
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- Thanksgiving break begins on November 21, less than two weeks away.

Senator Boynton asked who will replace Paul Schlag as Associate Director of the Honors College. Interim Provost Neumann responded that a search is underway, and she asked senators to encourage their colleagues to apply.

B. Student Government Association (SGA) Report – None

C. Other Announcements

1. One petition from a tenured, full professor was received to fill a two-year vacancy on the University Personnel Committee from the College of Fine Arts and Communication. Matt Beans, School of Music, will fill that seat immediately and continue until the beginning of fall 2018.
2. Chairperson Pynes told senators that he was contacted by President Thomas to ask that Faculty Senate select a faculty member to serve on the search committees for the Vice President for Student Services and the Vice President for Administrative Services. In 2010, Faculty Senate established a procedure whereby the Senate Nominating Committee determines nominees for these two positions based upon responses to the annual interest survey. The Committee's nominees will be presented during their report at the Faculty Senate meeting of November 29, at which time nominees will also be accepted from the floor. Chairperson Pynes stated that if anyone is interested in serving on these search committees, they should contact Senator Boynton, who chairs the Senate Nominating Committee.

III. Reports of Committees and Councils

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students outside of the School of Computer Sciences might take this new minor. She asked if a Computer Science major without the Cyber Security emphasis could get a minor in Cyber Security, which is kind of a Computer Science minor and would thus create a type of comprehensive-style major. School of Computer Sciences Chair Dennis DeVolder responded that any Computer Science, Network Technologies, or Information Systems major who is not pursuing the Cyber Security emphasis could take the Cyber Security minor; it is designed to be accessible to any WIU student with an interest in cyber security. Senator McNabb asked if the 300- and 400-level classes listed within directed electives have a number of prerequisites beyond those already listed under directed electives. Senator DeVolder responded that the Cyber Security minor offers a choice between CS 114 and 214; CS 114 is open to any student with no prereqs, while CS 214 is restricted to Computer Science majors. Senator DeVolder stated that he would have preferred to include this programming class in the core, but there can be no “or” choices in the core. Dr. Hardeman pointed out that the prerequisite for CS 455 is CS 114, and Senator DeVolder stated that CS 395 should be equally accessible.

existing Cyber Security emphasis within the Computer Science major, so he would not necessarily advise Computer Science students to take the Cyber Security minor, although it would not be prohibited.

Senator McNabb remarked that this proposal addresses a timely topic, but noted that cyber security touches on a large number of disciplines, including Law Enforcement and Justice Administration (LEJA) from the aspects of enforcement and detection.

Security minor. She pointed out that 48 hours or more define a comprehensive major, but students in comprehensive majors are not required to complete minors. Dr. Hardeman related that CCPI's understanding from speaking with Computer Sciences representatives was that the Cyber Security minor was not recommended for Computer Science students and that it would be open to students from a diverse body across the University. She added that Computer Sciences seems to have tried to make the minor as accessible to as many students as possible when crafting the course progression.

Senator Hironimus-Wendt asked if it would be permissible to refer the proposal back to CCPI to have them consider prohibiting Computer Science majors from minoring in Cyber Security. He added that he has never objected to a curricular proposal, but he is uncomfortable with this one because of the number of hours a student could potentially get within the same major.

SENATOR HIRONIMUS-WENDT OBJECTED TO THE PROPOSAL

Chairperson Pynes explained that this objection takes the course off the table, and senators now have to vote on whether to restore it to the agenda for further consideration.

Motion: To restore the Cyber Security minor (Allison/Tarrant)

Senator Boynton asked whether the request would go back to CCPI if the motion to restore is not approved. Chairperson Pynes responded that if the motion to restore is not approved, the request would come back to Faculty Senate at the next meeting.

MOTION TO RESTORE APPROVED 19 YES – 0 NO – 0 AB

Motion: To refer to committee (Hironimus-Wendt/Boynton)

Senator Hironimus-Wendt explained that he is proposing send the request back to CCPI simply to specify that students cannot major and minor with the same faculty, which he finds to be problematic. He would prefer that students minor outside their major faculty. Senator DeVolder expressed that he would like clarification on which group of students are being referred to – Computer Science, Information Services, or Network Technologies students. Senator Hironimus-Wendt responded that he is referring to students majoring in Computer Science and Network Technologies. Senator DeVolder explained that Network Technologies is

cyber security minor proposed by Computer Sciences, they would serve two different groups of people.

Senator McNabb stated that, if senators are to vote on the proposal, she would encourage further thought on the title of the minor. She stated that what has been said about the applied side or practical elements made sense to her and opens the gate for another kind of minor that is not applied, is more theoretical, or which has a different aspect, as long as people are comfortable with the proliferation of cyber security minors but with distinction between the two. She added that there exists the need to be mindful of students who may look at an undergraduate catalog five years hence and wonder which cyber security minor to choose and what distinguishes the two. She believes one of the easiest ways to do that might be to define terms a little more carefully from the start so that students have a very clear expectation of the goal of each specific program. Senator DeVolder responded that he has spent the past 18 months making sure that “cyber security” means what it means.

Chairperson Pynes reminded senators that there is a motion on the floor to send the request back to CCPI in order for them to restrict, in some way, the kinds of students that can take the Cyber Security minor.

MOTION FAILED 5 YES – 7 NO – 6 AB

Senator Sandage asked if it is standard that minors are not allowed within a major or if there are rules prohibiting this. Senator Boynton responded that it is not prohibited because some already do this. Senator Pynes explained that when Philosophy and Religious Studies was one department, a student would not be allowed to major and minor in Philosophy, but, because the disciplines are different, a student could major in Philosophy and minor in Religious Studies. He pointed out that Computer Science and Cyber Security are different disciplines, and Senator DeVolder has stated that he would discourage but not prevent students from majoring in one and minoring in the other.

Senator Boynton asked what the limit is of courses that can be double counted. Registrar Angela Lynn replied that one course of up to 5 s.h. can be counted in both the major and the minor, but it cannot then be also counted for General Education credit.

NEW MINOR APPROVED 14 YES – 0 NO – 5 AB

3. Curricular Requests from the Department of Dietetics, Fashion Merchandising, and Hospitality

- a) Request for New Course
 - (1) NUTR 410, Medical Nutrition Therapy II, 3 s.h.

NEW COURSE APPROVED

- b) Requests for Change of Majors
 - (1) Dietetics
 - (2) Nutrition and Foodservice Management

CHANGES OF MAJORS APPROVED

