

**University of West Georgia
Faculty Senate Meeting
Minutes**

**September 20, 2013
Approved October 18, 2013**

1. Call to order: the meeting convened in room 1-303 of the Technology-enhanced Learning Center and was called to order by Jeff Johnson, Chair at 3:05 p.m.

2. Roll call

Present

Basu-Dutt, Blair, DeFoor, DeSilva, Erben, Faucette, Gant, Geisler, Griffith, Haynes, Hooper, Insenga, Kassis, Keim, Kilpatrick, Kramer, Lloyd, Mayer, Moffeit, Noori, Packard, Penceo, Ponder, Popov, Robinson, Rutledge, Samples, Sanders, Schroer, Skott-Myhre, Stanfield, Steere, Tekippe, Thompson, Velez-Castrillon, Willox, Woodward, Xu

Absent

Banford, Butler, Farmer, Halonen-Rollins, Parrish, Penceo, Riker, Van Valen, Welch, Yeong

3. Approval of the minutes of the July 19th meeting: these were approved on July 26 via electronic vote, but the chair reopened discussion. No additions or corrections were suggested, so the minutes stood as approved ([see Addendum I](#))

4. Committee reports

Committee I: Undergraduate Programs Committee (James Mayer, Chair)

5. Action Items: ([See Addendum II](#))

A) College of Education

1) Early Learning and Childhood Education

a) Bachelor of Science in Education with a Major in Early Childhood Education

Request: Modify

Action: Approved

b) ECED 3282 Practicum I

Request: Modify

Action: Approved

c) ECED 4251L Assessment and Correction Clinical

Request: Add

Action: Approved

These three items were taken together as a group. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

B) College of Science & Mathematics Program Proposals:

- 1) Interdisciplinary Program
 - a) Bachelor of Science with a Major in Environmental Science
Request: Deactivate
Action: Approved

Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

- 2) Mathematics
 - a) Bachelor of Science with a Major in Mathematics
Request: Modify
Action: Approved

Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

C) Richards College of Business Program Proposal:

- 1) Management
 - a) Operations Management Certificate
Request: Add
Action: Approved

Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Information Items:

A) XIDS Courses approved by XIDS Subcommittee

1. XIDS-2001
What Do You Really Know About Being a College Student in Transition?
2. XIDS-2100
Arts and Ideas: The Body in French Literature, Art, and Cinema
3. XIDS-2002
What Do You Really Know About: Learning Languages?
4. XIDS-2300
Interdisciplinary Studies in Social Sciences: What Does It Mean to be Free?

B) General Education Subcommittee: Lara Willox elected General Education Subcommittee Chair

Committee II: Graduate Programs Committee (Elizabeth Kramer, Chair)

Action Items: (See Addendum III)

A) College of Education

1) Clinical and Professional Studies (formerly Collaborative Support and Intervention)

a) Master of Education with a Major in Speech-Language Pathology

Request: Modify, see attachment

Action: Approved

Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

b) Master of Education in Professional Counseling, School Counseling

Request: Modify, see attachment

Action: Approved

c) Master of Education in Professional Counseling, Clinical Mental Health Counseling

Request: Modify, see attachment

Action: Approved

These two items were taken together as a group. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

d) SLPA-6703 Organic Communication Disorders

Request: Delete

Action: Approved

e) SLPA-6709 Practical Phonetics

Request: Delete

Action: Approved

These two items were taken together as a group. Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

B) College of Social Sciences

1) Criminology

a) CRIM-6333 Victimology

Request: Add, see attachment

Action: Approved

Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

b) Graduate Studies

Graduate Policy Revision

Request: Modify, see attachment (([See Addendum IV](#)))

Action: Approved

Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

- C) Richards College of Business
 - 1) Management
 - a) MBA Certificate in International Programs
 - Request: Add
 - Action: Approved

Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

- D) School of Nursing
 - a) NURS-6125 Health Systems Leadership Role of the Clinical Nurse Leader
 - Request: Add, see attachment
 - Action: Approved

Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

Information Items:

- A) College of Education Program Changes:
 - 1) Dean's Office COE
 - a) Doctor of Education in Professional Counseling and Supervision
 - Request: Modify, see attachment
 - 2) Clinical and Professional Studies (formerly Collaborative Support and Intervention)
 - a) Program: Doctor of Education in Professional Counseling and Supervision
 - Request: Modify
 - 3) Early Learning and Childhood Education
 - a) Master of Education with a Major in Early Childhood Education
 - Request: Modify, see attachment
- B) Dr. Elizabeth Kramer was elected to fill the position as Chair of the Graduate Programs Committee for AY 2013/2014.

Committee IV: Academic Policies Committee (Vickie Geisler, Chair)

Action Items: (See Addendum V)

- A) Request approval to modify the new Limited Course Withdrawal policy. The modifications will allow us to be in compliance with financial aid.

Motion approved unanimously by voice vote.

- B) Request approval of the use of GradesFirst as ~~the~~ a tool for reporting enrollment verification at 60% point in the semester.

If a student receiving federal financial aid withdraws or stops attending before the 60% point

of the semester and earns a 0.0 GPA, the university has to return a portion of the aid based on a calculation using their last date of attendance or academic event. Any of the following may constitute an academic event: going to class or lab, taking a test, turning in a paper, going on a field trip, etc. An email will be sent to all faculty at the 60% mark of the semester to verify attendance with an link to GradeFirst. For students who have stopped attending, faculty will need to report the date of the student's last academic event.

The motion was amended by Gant as shown and approved unanimously by voice vote.

4. New business: Recycling initiative (Mark Reeves, Asst. VP of Auxiliary Services)

Mr. Reeves delivered a 15-minute PowerPoint presentation about Auxiliary Services starting a successful recycling program.

The 11 Auxiliary Services dumpsters alone generated 2860 dumpsters of garbage annually, which is about 138 boxcars of trash per year. Unlike other states, Georgia facilities want recycled materials; e.g., Dalton wants plastic bottles to make carpet. Auxiliary Services started their own small program with the vendor Waste Pro in Atlanta, which gave bins. The bins' materials are sent to Fulton Industrial. They separate our containers' contents and give us dollars and metrics regarding the usage. Auxiliary Services was able to eliminate half their dumpsters by recycling instead of discarding about 88 boxcars of garbage. This year they will gain over \$15K. They want to expand the program this year and in FY2014 make \$17K.

One suggestion from the faculty for Mr. Reeves was to have a student contest to paint the containers; another suggested that Hannes Gerhardt, chair of the Sustainability Council, be contacted regarding a website. The assembled faculty praised the program and noted that they would like to see advertising and further communication in various media about the program.

5. No announcements were made.

6. The meeting was adjourned at 4:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Shelley Rogers,

Executive Secretary of the Faculty Senate and General Faculty