

Faculty Senate 2012/2013
University of Montana Western
Minutes for 3/4 /2013

Call to Order

Present: Eric Wright, David Regan, Tyler Seacrest, Kurt Steadman, Estee Aiken, Vicky Howard, Dick Storey, Karl Ulrich, Megan Chilson, Delena Norris Tull, Michelle Anderson, Vikki Howard, Anneleise Ripley, Mark Krank

Minutes approved from February 4th and February 19th , 2013

New Business

Student Senate representatives presented “The Recovery and Protection of Student Liberties” document.

- Asked for more input and representation to the process of change in policies.
- Mark suggested that a student affairs representative be present at student senate meetings as a possible solution.

Administrative Reports: Dick Story: Performance Based Funding.

- Changes to start in July of 2013.
- Performance to be system based, rather than on an individual campus basis.
- Athletic Director search down to phone interview stage.
- Discussion of possible changes in the Media Marketing department.
- Decision made to add Cross Country, both men’s and woman’s to UMW sports after the new athletic director is hired.

Anneleise Ripley: Concurrent Credit

- Pressure has been felt from the board of regents to create more dual credit opportunities. UMW has been approached by both Beaverhead and Lima high schools with requests to create AP/ dual credit courses. Obstacles exist in the area of getting high school teachers properly accredited. Most enrollments, on a national level, occurs in courses that take place in the high schools.

Karl Ulrich:

- Ilene Cohen has requested that departments go through their classes and remove prerequisites that are not routinely enforced to expediate the registration process.
- Speech Intensive, Writing Intensive and Research intensive guidelines from Northwest accreditation. Faculty are asked to identify courses which could contain a speech intensive component. Have results ready by March 26 faculty senate meeting.
- Brian Price is resigning as early as May 1st. Position announcement is presented for review for feedback. Concerns were raised about the Assistant Provost and Provost mixing responsibilities and suggestion that the Assistant Provost be a champion of faculty concerns rather than being bogged down with administrative responsibilities. Suggestion was made to change the job title to “Dean of Faculty”.

Eric suggested that we start a discussion about the x-block system in a discipline specific way.

Good of the Order

Eric moved to adjourn Michelle seconded, all in favor said "eye".