

Faculty Senate 2012/2013
University of Montana Western
Minutes for 10/1 /2012

Call to Order

Present: Eric Wright, Megan Chilson, Vicki Howard, David Regan, Michael Francisconi for Mark Krank, Michelle Anderson, Tyler Seacrest, Kurt Steadman, Dana Cotton

-minutes Approved from 9/17

Catherine Redhead- Advanced Placement Program

Discussion of changes to the program involve:

- Who is eligible?
- Who is a resident?
- Removal of redundant classes
- Department chairs and vice chancellor will determine which courses qualify for AP credit.
- Courses must be taken within 3 years

Old Business

1. David Regan and Denise Holland volunteered to faculty representatives on Grade appeals process.
2. Discussion of Proposal to change curriculum approval process. Request is made to submit changes to new proposal by next senate meeting on 10/15/2012.
3. Full Faculty Senate Meeting Topics:
 - What is experiential learning? How do different departments define the nuance of experiential learning in their respective disciplines?
 - What is the future of the block system? Where do we go from here?
 - Concurrent enrollment
 - Forum for faculty input for strategic plan and resource distribution.
 - Vicky volunteered to draft a brief synopsis of topics for faculty wide email.

New Business

1. Prohibition of tobacco use on campus
 - Discussion of proposal to amend the existing tobacco use policy to include smoking in vehicles. Move to bring topic to faculty meetings and discuss at next meeting 10/15.
2. Discussion of dual vs. concurrent enrollment. Concern was raised that supporting concurrent enrollment was solely financial driven and ignores quality of classes and instructor qualifications.
Move to Adjourn: Eric moved , Megan second