

**Ferris State University  
Academic Senate Meeting  
Tuesday, April 24, 2001 – 10:00 a.m.  
President's Room, Rankin Center**

I. **Call to Order:** President Konrad called the meeting to order at 10:05 a.m.

II. **Attendance**

**Senators Present:** Abbasabadi, Aiken, Bandstra, Carlton-Smith, Clarke, Drake, El-Saidi, Ferdowsi, Griffin, Hancock, Hanna, Jablonski, Johnson, Kane, Key, Klope, Konrad, Loesch, Lovsted, Nagel, Nelson, Papo, Peterson-Klein, Shepler, Squicciarini, Stern, Thapa, Vermeer, Westhoven.

**Senators Absent:** Chamberlain (excused), Conati (excused), Kowalkoski (excused), Krumins (excused), Nista (excused), Palmer, Parry (excused), Pilgrim, Ryan (excused), Speirs, Wininger

**Guests:** Barbara Chapman, Tom Oldfield, Douglas Haneline, William Sederburg, Vincent King, Greg Denny, Ladi Terry, Jason Horn, James Manko, John Tomczyk, Mike Cron, Jeff Ek, Ann Breintenwischer, Andrew Kantar, Dave Zobeck, Mary Ann Hall, Jim Maas

III. **Approval of Minutes**

**Motion by Senator Aiken, with support from Senator Johnson to approve** the minutes of the April 3, 2001 Senate meeting. Motion carries.

**Motion by Senator Lovsted, with support from Senator Aiken to approve** the minutes of the April 19, 2001 Senate meeting with one correction to item V. C, changing the approval of the Communications Minor to approval of the **Bachelor of Arts, Communication Major**. Motion carries.

IV. **Open Forum**

**Senator Shepler** expressed a concern about having the doors to the Science Building unlocked on Sundays for study sessions. Dr. Oldfield will look into the matter.

V. **Committee Reports**

A. **University Curriculum Committee – Dr. Lovsted** distributed a list of items the committee is currently reviewing. No meetings are scheduled at this time for the summer months. **(Attachment A)**

B. **University-wide Committees – Senator Papo** advised senators that year-end reports from the senate committees had been included in Senate packets.

C. **Web-Based Instruction White Paper– Dr. Haneline** advised the Senators that this group has been meeting on a bi-weekly basis. A full report will be ready for the Senate Retreat in August.

D. **Career Services Student Advisory Board – Ladi Terry**, Director of Career Services, introduced members of the Advisory Board. Jason Horn and James Manko advised Senators on ways they can assist student in utilizing the Career Services Office. **(See Attachment B)**

**Senator Nagel, with support from Senator Key, moved to endorse the recommendations** made by the Career Services Student Advisory Board and forward them to the Vice President of Academic Affairs for consideration.

**VI. New Business –**

**Post Tenure Review - Senator Ferdowsi, with support from Senator Aiken, moved to** open discussion on Post Tenure Review Policy and Procedures. Following discussion, **Senator Thapa, with support from Senator Aiken, moved to** recommend to the Vice President for Academic Affairs the revision of the last sentence of paragraph 3 as follows: *“The faculty who disagrees with the evaluation may appeal up to the Vice President for Academic Affairs”*. Motion carries.

**Senator Thapa, with support from Senator Aiken, moved to** recommend to the Vice President for Academic Affairs that the following statement be included in the Post Tenure Review Policy and Procedures: *“If any administrators teach courses, they must be evaluated using the same instrument (Student Assessment of Instruction) as used to evaluate tenured faculty”*. Motion carries.

**VII. Academic Program Review Document – Dr. Vincent King** presented Senators with changes in the Academic Program Review Guidelines (Attachment C). They are as follows:

- Joint Cover Memo
- New look for pages 4 and 5, and pages 8,9, and 10.
- Deletion of *“Action Plan”* section of the document.

**Senator Thapa, with support from Senator El-Saidi, moved to accept** the suggested changes. **Senator Hanna, with support from Senator Griffin** calls the question. **Question carries. Motion carries.**

**VIII. Announcements**

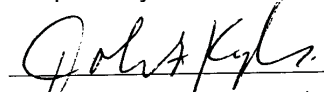
**President Sederburg** thanked the Senator for their efforts this past academic year.

**Vice President Chapman** presented the Senators with a brief update (See Attachment D) and thanked the Senators for their work over the past academic year.

**President Konrad** distributed certificates and plaques to outgoing Senators and thanked them for their contributions over the past year.

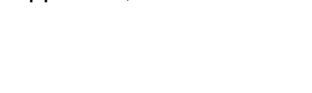
**VI. Adjournment – President Konrad** adjourned the meeting at 11:15 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



John Kane, Secretary

Approved,



Cindy Konrad, President