Academic Senate
April 9, 2013
Brockmann Center Conference Room
4:00 p.m.

Members Present –Lanny Wilke, Curtis Smeby, Mary Pappas, Carol Reifschneider, Larry Strizich, Christine Shearer-Cremean, Steven Don, Stacey Dolezal, Darlene Bricker, Katherine Williams, Rosalyn Templeton

Guests –

Call to Order – Lanny Wilke called the meeting to order.

Minutes – Carol made a motion to approve the March 19, 2013 meeting minutes and Steven 2nd the motion. All approved.

External Committee Reports/Chancellor Updates –
   a. Chancellor Update –
   b. Chancellor's Council –
   c. Academic Council –
   d. University Advisory Council –
   e. Professional Development Committee –
   f. Board of Regents Meeting –

Senate Committee Reports
   a. Admissions & Standards –
   b. Cultural Development –
   c. Curriculum –
   d. Financial Aid –
   e. General Education –
   f. Graduate Council –
   g. Instruction, Research, and Faculty Development –
   h. Instructional Technology –
   i. Library –

New Business –

Old Business –
   a. Performance Based Funding – Lanny is attending a meeting Thursday 04/11/13. We need to come up with some metric for our university.
   b. Credit Hour Policy – Bozeman was a coordinated effort for all four campuses.
   c. Catalog Change form – we need to document changes in made to the catalog. Stacey suggested a comment box be put on the form. Lanny will make changes and send it out for email vote.
   d. Formal Procedure for students that are having difficulty with faculty/staff – this process does not include the chair.

e. Quality of online courses – how do we determine the quality? There is nothing in the contact for administration to survey this. Christine thought we should develop a faculty taskforce. Minimum qualifications for face-to-face doesn't exist, so how can we have it for online courses. Larry stated the program assessment is the measurement of quality. We need to have all faculty get the minimum requirements for the syllabus layout.
f. Update Senate By-laws – how do we handle proposal rejected by MSU, senate committees.
g. Update Curriculum Guide – include Level I, Level II, and FLOC form flow.
h. Academic Freedom – what does that mean to us?
i. Shared Governance – begin discussion

Proposals –
a. #12-21 – Larry made a motion to accept the revisions made to this proposal and send it forward, Stacey 2nd the motion. There was discussion; question called; all approved.

Adjournment – There is an open forum regarding program prioritization 04/10/13. Would the senate like to meet in May? It was decided to meet next week 04/16/13. Meeting was adjourned at 4:53pm by President, Lanny Wilke.

Respectfully Submitted by,

Lourdes N. Caven