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# UNIVERSITY SENATE MINUTES

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Thursday, November 1, 2012 - 4:00 p.m.

Academic Forum 200

**PRESENT:** A. Arnold, G. Bamberger, L. Barish, J. Ronan, J. Delle, P. Dewey, S. Fernando, P. Ferreira, J. Gehringer, R. Grapsy, H. Hamlet, E. Hanna, D. Immel, J. Jackson, D. Johnson (President), G. Schaper, Y. Kim, A. Kirshman, J. Kremser, M. Le Bosse, S. Lem, J. Lizza, K. Logan, K. McCloskey, B. McCree, C. Nordlund, K. Prock, P. Reed, C. Sacchi, J. Schlegel, M. Sims, R. L. Smith, C. Vargas (J. Silberman), P. Walsh-Coates, A. Walz, C. Watson, C. Wells, B. Zigner (D. Scott substituting)

**ABSENT:** A. Awadallah, C. Bloh, N. Butler, J. Cohen Hamilton, F. Cortez-Funk, R. Fliszar, K. Gardi, R. Gross, L. Irving, J. Laskoski, M. McCoskey, T. Maskulka, T. McNally, C. Rutherford, G. Zelleke

**GUESTS ATTENDING:** N. Wunderly, S. Holms, J. Silberman, J. Molina, M. Hughes, D. Beougher, J. Werner, P. Vargas, P. Keldsen, N. Snow.

- I. **Call to Order:** The meeting was called to order at 4:05 p.m.
- II. **Announcements**
  - Dr. Cevallos thanked everyone for a wonderful job before, during and after Hurricane Sandy.
- III. **Approval of the Agenda**
  - There were no objections to the agenda as presented. Agenda approved.
- IV. **Approval of the Minutes from September 1, 2011**
  - There were no corrections to the minutes of the November 1, 2012 meeting. Minutes approved.
- V. **President, Committee and Task Force Reports**
  - A. **Senate President's Report – D. Johnson**
    - a. Introduced new office secretary - Christy Derr
    - b. Updated everyone on the committees
  - B. **Committee on Committees Report – A. Arnold**
    - a. Library Committee is not meeting on a regular basis. Only met once per semester before they stopped having meetings.
      - a. Agrees that there should be some type of return book policy for the library.

b. C. Wells – searching for new person to chair committee.

**C. Nominations Committee**

a. Two nominations were suggested.

a. The President (Deryl Johnson) was asked if he would consider running for President again. He agreed.

b. The current secretary (Carol Watson) was also asked if she would run again. She agreed.

**D. Comments from President – Cevallos' office**

a. We have exceeded the goal for scholarships by 70%

**E. Admissions Update**

N. Wunderly provided the freeze numbers for Fall 2012 and provided an overview of changes in the number of graduate students.

**F. Institutional Researcher Update.**

N. Snow provided an overview of how to access and what types of information are located for faculty and staff through the Institutional Research Homepage. N. Snow also distributed a handout on KU Fast Facts.

**G. Corridor Policy – S. Helms**

a. International fire code states that chairs and tables are not allowed in hallways and stairwells.

i. Means of egress continuity

1. Obstructions shall not be placed in the required width of a means of egress except projections permitted by this chapter. The required capacity of a means of egress system shall not be diminished along the path of egress travel.

2.

**H. Student Government Update**

SGB President P. Keldsen gave a brief update on student initiatives including a taskforce of students to gather data regarding advisement.

**VI. New Business**

**A. Posthumous Degree, Christopher M. Cole – Music – Approved Unanimously**

- Moved by D. Immel
- Seconded by Kevin McCluskey

**B. Conflict of Interest Policy – J. Werner – Approved**

The policy changes were presented to the Senate. The changes were made to be in compliance with Federal Guidelines and Statutes. C. Wells raised the issue of whether this change in policy should first go to the Academic Standards and Policy Committee.

After debate, D. Johnson asked for a motion to suspend the rules in order to consider the motion. The motion passes by more than 2/3rds. The debate regarding suspending the rules dealt with the issue of not being in compliance when a grant might be awarded at KU (before the next Senate Meeting). The motion to approve passes.

**VII. As May Arise**

**VIII. Adjournment**

There were no objections to D. Johnson's motion to adjourn. Motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m.