

Senate Council  
September 27, 2010

The Senate Council met in regular session at 3 pm on Monday, September 27, 2010 in 103 Main Building. Below is a record of what transpired. All votes were taken via a show of hands unless indicated otherwise.

Chair Hollie I. Swanson called the Senate Council (SC) meeting to order at 3:06 pm.

1. Minutes from August 30 and September 20 and Announcements

Grossman **moved** to approve the SC minutes from August 30, 2010 and Anderson **seconded**. There being no discussion, a **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

Grossman **moved** to approve the SC minutes from September 20, 2010 and Steiner **seconded**. There being no discussion, a **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

Regarding possible nominees for the Academic Computing Committee, Chappell **moved** and Steiner **seconded** sending the list of names, minus the associate dean, as the nominees suggested by the SC. A **vote**

The Chair reported that 42 of 96 senators had registered nominations thus far in the process to identify faculty representatives on the President Search Committee. The Chair shared that she had spoken with Board of Trustees Chair Britt Brockman, who called her to see how the election process was going. She said she mentioned inviting him to a SC meeting, and he was receptive. SC members discussed the search for a new president. They also discussed inviting Board Chair Brockman to a SC meeting. Afterwards, the Chair said she would invite him to attend at his convenience, to encourage greater communication between the faculty and the Board **[AI]**.

The Chair then said she met with Provost Subbaswamy, and discussed a number of items. The Chair said that she asked the Senate's Advisory Committee on Privilege and Tenure (SACPT) to look into the 3-3 load for lecturers, and the 4-4 load for tenured lecturers. She shared the cost-savings/revenue-generating ideas with the Provost during their meeting.

Another matter the Chair mentioned is that of the number of clinical title series faculty in the College of Medicine (COM). She reported that COM employed more clinical title series (CTS) faculty than the approved percentage. The COM faculty council approved the increase because the individuals had already been hired. In addition, the COM faculty council asked that department chairs be responsible for ensure CTS faculty are available for students, such as students in need of clerkships, etc. SC members, along with Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs Heidi Anderson took part in a discussion regarding the pertinent *Administrative Regulation*, the timing of reports regarding percentages of CTS faculty, as well as future steps.

The Chair went on to explain that she broached the subject of allowing the transfer of the Employee Education Benefit (EEP) to a dependent or spouse to include graduate credit. She added that Grossman had had a long-term interest in moving in such a direction. There was a brief discussion, in which it was explained that Provost Subbaswamy agreed to a pilot, perhaps for two years, in which the transferred benefit could also be used for graduate credit, but the pilot needed to be cost-neutral. There was

discussion about whether cost-neutral referred to total transferred EEP benefit cost, or if it referred to the cost of credits. Grossman asked the Chair to clarify the possible terms of the pilot **[AI]**.

### 3. Outstanding Teaching and Service Awards – Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs Heidi Anderson

Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs Heidi Anderson offered a report to SC members regarding recent changes to the Provost's Outstanding Teaching Awards, and requested that honorees be recognized at University Senate (Senate) meetings. There were no objections, and Kelly thanked her and the Provost for their efforts.

### 4. Senate's Advisory Committee on Promotion and Tenure (SACPT) 09-10 Annual Report

Professor Sue Straley, pas chair of the Senate's Advisory Committee on Privilege and Tenure (SACPT), presented the SACPT's annual report to the SC. SC members engaged in a very lively discussion regarding multiple aspects of the report. Steiner stated a number of times that the Provost was authorized to make decisions as he sees fit, even if it goes against the recommendation of a faculty committee. If there was a question about a pattern of actions, someone could go look at past reports from the SACPT.

After some time, Kelly **moved** that the SC form an informal subcommittee to review how Senate committee activities are monitored by the SC. The motion **died** due to lack of a second.

Grossman **moved** that the SC invite the Provost to explain how he considered the tenure report, the personal petition of the petitioner, and the decision to deny a leave of absence, as described in the Senate's Advisory Committee on Privilege and Tenure's 2009-2010 annual report. Chappell **seconded**. After additional discussion, Grossman **withdrew his motion**.

Grossman **moved** that the SC discuss with Provost Subbaswamy the possibility of automatically granting a leave of absence if requested by a petitioner in situations where a re-review has been granted. Chappell **seconded**. There being no further discussion, a **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with one opposed.

The meeting was adjourned shortly after 5 pm.

[Action Items are part of the minutes, but placed at the end to maximize use of space.]

Respectfully submitted by Hollie I. Swanson,  
Senate Council Chair

SC members present: Anderson, Blonder, Chappell, Grossman, Kelly, Peek, Steiner and Swanson.

Guests: Heidi Anderson and Sue Straley.

Prepared by Sheila Brothers on Thursday, September 30, 2010.

#	✓	Item	Responsibility	Completed
5.		SC subset to examine and revise the description of the administrative coordinator's job duties with a view towards increasing compensation. (7/14/10)	Grossman, Jensen, Chair	
6.		Develop charge for Senate's Committee on Committees. Include in the charge that it explore need/establishment of committee for "grievances," as well as "graduate student education and related issues." (7/14/10; 8/30/10)	SC	
9.		Send each senator a list of his/her college's senators and associated unit affiliation and email address. (7/14/10)	Mrs. Brothers	
12.	✓	Discuss expansion of EEP with Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs to allow transfer to be used for graduate coursework. (7/14/10)	Chair	8/2010
	✓	Discuss expansion of EEP with Provost Subbaswamy (6 credits per semester). (8/16/10)	Chair	9/2010
		Clarify with Provost Subbaswamy the term "cost-neutral" WRT a pilot for graduate credit EEP transfer to partner/spouse/dependent.	Chair	
13.		Add chair of Senate's Admissions and Academic Standards Committee to COSFL listserv. (7/14/10)	Mrs. Brothers / Chair	
14.		Identify faculty representative for Coordinating Committee on Learning Management Systems/Academic Technologies by August 23. (8/16/10)	SC	
16.		Identify faculty representative for University Committee on Academic Planning and Priorities (UCAPP) by August 23. (8/16/10)	SC	
17.		Create web-based mechanism for faculty to offer input into the President's annual evaluation; evaluation process will occur during April. (8/16/10)	SC Anderson	
18.		Ask Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs to mention during new faculty orientation the requirement that final exam grades be submitted within 72 hour of administering the exam. (8/24/10)	Chair	
19.		Contact Administration to request that the Chair sit on the dais for future new student inductions.	Chair	
20.		Charge Senate's Academic Programs Committee with creating processes for substantive change issues (teach-out, contractual/consortium process, off-campus sites, how to reopen a suspended program). 8/23/10	SC	
24.		Review Senate meeting attendance policies. (8/30/10)	SC	
25.		Convene Senate committees, charge them, and facilitate identification and election of a chair.	Mrs. Brothers / Chair	
26.		Query VP IRPE Connie Ray about number of administrators at UK vs. benchmark institutions. (9/20/10)	Mrs. Brothers	
27.		Send SC's spring evaluation of President Todd to all Board of Trustees members. Share SC's spring evaluation of President Todd with faculty members. Create numerical ratings for the Board's evaluation in early fall and submit those privately. (9/20/10)	SC	
28.		Invite the Board of Trustees' chair to a SC meeting. (9/27/10)	Chair	

