

University of Massachusetts Lowell
Faculty Senate Meeting
February 6, 2006
Coburn 305

Presiding: Ann Marie Hurley, President

Recording: Susan Yuhas, Faculty Senate Secretary

Attendees: Anita Greenwood, Jay Simmons, Judith Davidson, Pradeep Kurup, Craig Armiento, Robert Parkin, James Sherwood, Christopher Niezrecki, Robert Malloy, David Kazmer, Aldo Crugnola, James Coates, James Jeffers, Eve Buzawa, Jacob Stowell, Joseph Garreau, Shehong Chen, Christoph Strobel, Khanh Dinh, Gloria Seeman, Jason Lawrence, Mitra Das, Thomas Shea, Michael Graves, Ruxandra Dima, Marina Ruths, Holly Yanco, Thomas Costello, Haim Levkowitz, Jie Wang, Bodo Reinisch, Alan Doerr, Daniel Klain, Partha Chowdhury, James Egan, Arthur Mittler, Ainat Koren, Ruth Remington, Betty Morgan, Joyce White, Sean Collins, Richard Slapsys, Paul Coppens

Meeting commenced at 3:35 pm.

- I. Minutes from December 5, 2005 were accepted.
- II. **Guest Speaker:** Chief Brian Pray from University Police addressed safety and security on campus. Several presentations have been made on campus since the semester break. A group of consultants have been contracted. Self-defense classes for female members of the campus community are available.
Objectives: greater communication with the community; student newspaper and support centers to address needs and concerns; campus police to be better invested with community.
- III. **Standing Committees:**
 - a. **Undergraduate Policy Committee & GPAC:**

Proposal to change name: Department of Criminal Justice to Department of Criminal Justice and Criminology, to reflect a more accurate description of the form and content of the undergraduate and graduate course offerings.
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IV. Other Business:

- a. Bodo Reinisch addressed administrative email #20, dated 1/30/06, regarding re-structuring of student services and elimination of Graduate School Dean, sent from Provost Wooding. Concern that Faculty Senate has not had input. On 2/1/06 mailed inquiry to Dr. Wooding, no response as of 2/6/06. Discussion ensued regarding transferring of administrative and academic tasks.

b. Research and Development (Tom Shea)

- TA support – allowing students to come into doctoral programs with TA money.
- Discussion around “spheres of excellence” Whether or not to link seed money to it. What are the criteria?

V. Report of Senate Representative to the Board of Trustees-

Winter meeting scheduled for mid-February.

VI. Union Issues (Robert Parkin)

- a. Contract was signed by governor. Compromise was to take out PD money. Governor promising to put in supplementary budget in Spring with PD money. Retro pay 3%/3%/3%.
- b. Safety committee formed in response to faculty attack. Currently (1) faculty member and 3 or 4 staff representatives on committee. Another faculty member or two to join. Kristen Esterberg, Associate Provost, forming another committee.

Meeting adjourned at 4:20 pm