University of Massachusetts Lowell  
Faculty Senate Minutes  
April 3, 2006  
Coburn 205  

Presiding: Ann Marie Hurley, President  
Recording: Susan Yuhas


Meeting commenced at 3:40 pm

I. Minutes from March 6, 2006 were accepted.
II. Faculty Representative to the Board of Trustees: Michael Carter

Next meeting is scheduled for May—will notify senate via email on outcome of that meeting

Standing Committees

III.
   a. Academic Resources: No resolutions
   b. Undergraduate Policy Committee:

   1. Resolution: “Students who enter UML after having completed an associate’s degree under the Massachusetts Transfer Compact agreement from a community college are deemed to have satisfied five of the seven UML’s General Education requirements; namely: breadth of knowledge (course distribution), critical thinking, clear communication, diversity, and ethics.” The two remaining General Education requirements; (1) self-direction and collaboration and (2) information literacy, must be met through their major program at UML. Students should be aware that some programs may have additional requirements in these areas.

   Discussion around meeting diversity and ethics requirement.

   Motion to call a question—MOTION CARRIES

   Motion to pass resolution—**MOTION CARRIES**

   c. GPAC:

   1. Resolution: The Faculty Senate resolves that the Department of Physical Therapy be authorized to offer a Graduate Certificate in Disability Outcomes

   **MOTION CARRIES**

   d. Research and Development: No resolutions

IV. Other Business:
Provost’s Memo: Executive committee group to work with Provost; email graduate coordinators to solicit input from them; discussion about last month’s resolution—not clear if resolution is accepted or not by Chancellor, based on memo; other UMass campuses have structured Grad school; discussion around verbal apology and willingness to enter into a dialogue; concern from members that the memo is not an actual response.

Resolution: The Faculty Senate resolves to resubmit the resolution on the dissolution of the Graduate School to the Chancellor for a clarification of his response.

**MOTION CARRIES**

Meeting adjourned at 4:45