

**Campus Assembly
Minutes
May 6, 2003**

1. Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the April 1, 2003 Campus Assembly were approved as posted on the Assembly Website.

2. President's Update

a) Budget Update: Dr. Creighton indicated that there are two budget bills competing, the Ways and Means and the Governors. If we have to get behind anything, it would be the Governors Proposal.

b) PERS: Dr. Creighton indicated that PERS is currently fluid and running down the hill. It is changing as we know it. It is important to get behind this cause. There are changes in retirement rates and this will not help us here.

c) EOCCC and Learning Center: Dr. Creighton indicated that good progress is being made in regard to the funding for this project.

d) Senate Bill 870: Dr. Creighton mentioned that Senate Bill 870 (Semester Bill) is a Legislative Mandate between BMCC, TVCC, and EOU. It is a feasibility study only. The study will review whether or not it would be feasible for the three mentioned campuses to change to the semester system. Whether the study turns up negative or positive data, the State Board makes the decision. A question regarding whether or not there is funding for this study. Dr. Creighton indicated that there is not. But, a lot has already been completed. The study is taking into account all aspects of conversion, i.e., curriculum, student life, costs, etc.

e) Last Assembly: Dr. Creighton indicated that this would probably be his last assembly of address. He mentioned that he considers it an honor and privilege to have served as our President for the past five years.

3. Provost's Update

a) Accreditation: Dr. Miller mentioned that he and Sarah Witte attended an accreditation meeting last Friday and received much encouragement. He mentioned that he continued to hear the words mission, assessment, quality, and sustainability at the sessions. One question came out of it for him, Can we maintain the programs? He feels encouraged that we can. Sarah Witte mentioned that what she got out of the meeting is that accreditation never ends. This could be good or bad. But, there are ongoing changes made and to be made.

b) Cornerstone Coordinator Dr. Miller announced the opening of the Cornerstone Coordinator position. The position announcement is on the website. The deadline is May 15, 2003.

c) Faculty Scholars: Dr. Miller announced the full and partial stipends and sabbatical incentives of the following faculty:

Full Stipends: K.C. Holder, Colin Andrew, David Axelrod, Leandro Espinoza, Bill Grigsby, Nancy Knowles, John McKinnon, Michael Puls, Anthony Tovar, Jodi Varon.

Partial Stipends: Ruth Davenport, LeeAnn McNerney, Burr Betts, Matt Cooper, Chip Ettinger, Kathleen Galloway, Rick Kovacic, Jessica Plattner.

Sabbatical Incentive: John Thurber and April Curtis Congratulations!

4. Information Items

a) Salary Equity Policy The Executive Committee has approved the Salary Equity Policy as posted on the Assembly website. This policy will be incorporated into the Faculty/Staff Handbook.

5. Action Items

a) EPCC: a motion was made and seconded to approve the following courses:

1) School of Arts and Sciences

a) Biology Program

1) Remove BIOL 407-Seminar (1 cr) from the Biology

Degree Program

2) New Courses:

BIOL 402-Service Learning in Biology (1-5 cr)

BIOL 409-Practicum/Internship in Biology

b) Psychology Program: Request for General Education Credit

PSY 330 Emotion

PSY 335 Principles of Cognitive Psychology

c) Anthropology Program: Course Additions (DDE):

ANTH 320, Human Adaptation

ANTH 330, Ethnology of Hunters and Gatherers

ANTH 350, Primate Populations

ANTH 430, Medical Anthropology

d) German Program: New Course

GERM 310, The Nobel Legacy; GERM 346/HUM 346 The Nobel Legacy, approval for GE category Study of Human Behavior

GERM 310, German Film to GERM 348/HUM 348, German Film GE category Study of Aesthetics and Humanities

e) Political Science Program: Course Addition

POLS 340, Politics and Media, to GE curriculum.

f) Chemistry Program: Program Change Request

Change of credit for CHEM 334, CHEM 335, and CHEM 336, Organic Chemistry Lecture, from 3 credits each to 4 credits each;

Change of credit for CHEM 285, Chemical Safety, from 2 credits to 1 credit;

Drop CHEM 280, Chemical Literature

Drop CHEM 337, Organic Chemistry I Laboratory

Change the name of CHEM 338, Organic Chemistry II Laboratory to Organic Chemistry I Laboratory, and change the name of CHEM 339, Organic Chemistry III Laboratory to Organic Chemistry II Laboratory.

A brief discussion took place regarding when the coursework would be implemented. It was indicated that it would begin in the fall but could be offered through distance education this summer. Motion passed.

b) EPCC Discussion Items Cornerstone Program

This discussion item was withdrawn from the agenda.

c) End of Term Policy (Tenth Week Policy):

Jodi Varon gave an overview of the current Dead Week (old) policy and the proposed (new) Tenth Week and Finals Week Policy changes. There was an extensive discussion regarding the term non-academic and what that would include. A motion was made and seconded to amend the new policy by removing the word athletic from the policy. Motion passed. A motion was made and seconded to accept the new policy with the amendment. Motion passed.

6. Discussion Item

a) On-line voting: Gary Moses gave an overview of how the online voting would take place. It is hoped that this process will be fully operational soon, if the Assembly approves.

7. Five-minute Access

a) Career Mentor Program: Sally Click gave an overview of the Career Mentor Program. The link to the site was reviewed. Sally is requesting assistance from faculty and staff to serve as a mentor. If you are interested in participating please contact her.

b) IFS Update: Elizabeth Boretz gave an update of the last IFS meeting. It was mentioned that the current debt is at current service level. This does not mean that the budget will be turned away. It was also mentioned that Ryan Deckart, a UofO grad, is the vice chair of the executive committee. He is interested in what you have to say about the current issues. He can be contacted by email at deckert.sen@state.or.us, or by telephone at 503-986-1080.

c) AOF Update: Greg Monahan gave an update of the recent AOF meeting. It was mentioned that there is a possibility that 25 business credits will be suspended for the biennium. Eight hundred million could be raised, but would we get any? The update on PERS is that the legislature, with the 2003 House Bill, wants to fix the problem. This directly impacts PERS and includes recently retired personnel. It was mentioned that the 501K accounts is only for two years, with 6% being taxable. The money match will no longer be an option. It was also mentioned that there would be a cost of living freeze to retired faculty. Constitutionally all of this is being challenged. So far, AOF has not been able to stop the bill. PERS goes to court but will not produce a decision for a year or more from now.

d) Symposium Update: Greg Monahan mentioned that the schedule has been completed and will be finalized and put on the web tomorrow. The opening session is at 8:30 am in McKenzie theatre. Talks will be given in Hoke 309. The evening session will wrap up at 7:00 pm, with a chorale performance by Peter Wordelman and his chorus at the end. An invitation for all to attend was extended.

e) FAR Update: Jeff Dense shared the developments of the past year within the FAR position. Namely: the establishment of the student athletic advisory committee, the Academic Advisory Task Force where regulations and academic checks were simplified, compliance effort regarding the NCAA day-off policy, Division III focus groups, and the fact that student athletes are some of our best students with an overall average gpa of 3.44 and 40% of the men on the dean's list. A new award, the Scholar Athlete Award, will be included in the Awards Ceremony. The track and field team won the Championships first since 1956.

f) PCSW Update: Ruth Davenport gave an update of the committee's efforts this past year. The establishment of a website, thank you Melinda Pederson; the establishment of a flow chart to help those in need of crisis intervention; the establishment of the sexual assault posters and handbills that will be placed in all of the restrooms on campus. In addition, there is a call for posters for inclusion in the campus awareness program. If students are interested in participating with the posters, contact Ruth Davenport.

g) OHSU Genetic Privacy Forum: Anna Cavinato announced the Genetic Privacy forum will take place in two parts. First, there will be focus groups from 2-4 p.m. where ten to twelve individuals are needed to help. Then, the public forum. The event will be broadcast on OPB. Eastern was chosen, along with Willamette University, and the Bend campus due to our high support of OPB. The forum will be held on May 22, 2003 with the evening session starting at 7:30 p.m. in Zabel Hall, Room 142.

Meeting adjourned.