

REGULAR MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

OCTOBER 7, 2013 – 104 GORE HALL

September 26, 2013

TO: Senators and Executives

FROM: Martha Buell, Vice President
University Faculty Senate

SUBJECT: Regular Faculty Senate and General Faculty Meeting October 7, 2013

In accordance with Section IV, paragraph 6 of the Constitution, the regular meeting of the University Faculty Senate will be held on the Monday, October 7th at 4:00 p.m. in room 104 Gore Hall.

I certify that hard copies of the approval page for each undergraduate and graduate studies academic item on the agenda are filed in the Faculty Senate Office with the appropriate signatures of approval up through the Chair of the Faculty Senate Coordinating Committee on Education. The Agenda will be as follows:

AGENDA

- I. Adoption of the Agenda**
- II. Approval of the Minutes [September 9, 2013](#)**
- III. Remarks:** Provost Domenico Grasso
- IV. Announcements:** Senate President Deni Galileo
Jose Aviles, Director of Admissions
- V. Item For Information:** Report from Ad hoc RBB Committee ([attachment](#))
- VI. Consent Agenda**
 - A. Announcements for Challenge:** None
- VII. Regular Agenda**

1. Resolutions:

- a. Recommendation from the Ad Hoc RBB Committee (Jim Morrison, Chair) with the concurrence of the Committee on Rules (Prasad Dhurjati, Chair), the Committee on Committees and Nominations (Brian Hanson, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Deni Galileo, Chair) for the request to **establish a Standing University Faculty Senate Budget Committee** ([attachment 1](#)) ([attachment](#))

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate *Ad Hoc* Committee on RBB has met numerous times and has issued its report to the Senate with recommendations, which include the reconstitution of a standing Senate Budget Committee; and

WHEREAS, it would be beneficial in many ways to the University of Delaware to have a high degree of transparency of the budgetary processes of the University as a whole and of the academic units within it; and

WHEREAS, the Faculty Senate should have a formal mechanism to give timely advice to the administration of the University about how potential budgetary decisions will influence the many academic and research endeavors of the University; and

WHEREAS, other excellent universities maintain University Budget Committees with substantial faculty representation, which advise their administrations about budgetary issues; be it therefore,

RESOLVED, that the University Faculty Senate shall establish a standing University Faculty Senate Budget Committee, with representation by faculty from each of its colleges, charged with the responsibilities of

- 1) becoming fully informed on the financial and planning issues of this University. Specifically, it shall examine University budgets, financial statements and other related

documents used in developing budgetary plans. The committee may receive confidential information, and must respect the confidentiality of this information.

- 2) reviewing and providing timely prospective advice, prior to finalizing budget turnaround decisions, concerning the University's annual budgets, the processes used to determine them, and their potential impact on the academic, research and outreach missions of the University to the President, Provost, Deans and other officers of administration with responsibility for the University's annual budgets.
- 3) communicating information about the University's annual budgets and their potential impact on academic programs to the University Faculty Senate and to the University Faculty as a whole.

This committee is authorized to confer with other Senate committees and with University budget personnel as appropriate.

The Committee shall consist of seven faculty members (one from each College), the majority of whom shall be tenured. The Committee on Committees and Nominations shall appoint the faculty members for this committee for terms of three years. Appointments shall be scheduled such that the faculty member's terms will expire in a staggered manner. The Committee on Committees and Nominations shall appoint annually the chairperson from the seven faculty members. An eighth member of the committee shall be appointed annually by the Provost as his or her designee, and this member shall serve to facilitate interactions between the committee and relevant administrative offices.

- b. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Charles Swanik, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Fred Hofstetter, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Deni Galileo, Chair) for the request to approve the **MA Speech Language Pathology Program** ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([attachment resolution approving curriculum](#)) ([revised budget attachment](#)) ([attachment](#))

WHEREAS, on April 8, 2013 the Faculty Senate approved the curriculum for a new M.A. in speech-language pathology but postponed the establishment of the program until “likely sources and amounts of full financial support for the first several years of operation of this program have been specified by the Dean of the College of Health Sciences,” and

WHEREAS, the College of Health Sciences has received an allocation of \$1MM from the Delaware state legislature over FY13 and FY14 for planning and establishing this program, and

WHEREAS, the Offices of the Provost and University Budget have affirmed that the speech-language pathology program will be resource neutral with respect to other colleges, and

WHEREAS, the proposed program will contribute to the University's "Path to Prominence" goal to become a premier research and graduate university; be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Faculty Senate recommends provisional approval for five years following program launch of the establishment of a new M.A. in Speech-Language Pathology.

- c. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Charles Swanik, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Fred Hofstetter, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Deni Galileo, Chair) for the request to **grant permanent approval of the PhD in Preservation Studies** ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#))

WHEREAS, a need for a Doctor of Philosophy with an interdisciplinary major in Preservation Studies was identified in a study conducted by a committee comprised of twelve faculty members and administrators from nine different departments at

the University of Delaware from which this program was first proposed in 2004; and

WHEREAS, only three other programs offering degrees in conservation research at the doctoral level similar to the interdisciplinary content of this proposed program are known to exist in the world with only one other in North America; and

WHEREAS, the chairs or other faculty members of the Departments of Anthropology, Art History, Chemistry, the Disaster Research Center and Sociology, Urban Affairs and Public Policy, the Winterthur Program in American Material Culture and the History Department, the Center for Historic Architecture and Design, and the College of Arts and Sciences Dean's Office all provided letters of support based on their observations of the program and its students; and

WHEREAS, this program has been in existence since 2006, and has matriculated 11 students, of whom three have received the Ph.D.; and

WHEREAS, the Doctor of Philosophy in Preservation Studies has now met all the requirements for permanent status; be it therefore

RESOLVED, that the Doctor of Philosophy in Preservation Studies become a permanent doctoral-level program at the University of Delaware.

2. Unfinished Business: None

3. New Business: None

VIII. Introduction of New Business

Such items as may come before the Senate. (No motion introduced under new business, except a motion to refer to committee, shall be acted upon until the next meeting of the Senate.)