Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting
November 17, 2004

Present:
B. Barnes	D. Bergeron	D. Boerth	E. Carreiro
L. Cheng	Q. Fan	P. Gibbs	J. Griffith
A.Hausknecht		Y. Kim	G. Koot
R. Kowalczyk	K. Langley	S. Leclair	J. Leffers
K. Manning	H. Michel	N. O'Connor	E. Ojadi
S. Peterson	D. Rancour	S. Scarano	S. Sousa
K. Stokesbury	L. Sun	E. Winiarz	M. Zarrillo

Excused:
D. Borim	B. Jacobskind	S. Krumholz	J. Marlow
M. Roy	S. Scott	B. Singh	J Stauder

Absent:
M. Anderson	M. Baum	L.. Bianco	P.Currier
E. Fisher	D. Georgianna	K. Gramling	A. Gunasekeran
F. Karakaya	O. Khalil	R. Laoulache	A. Mollo
D. Prentice	P. Szatek	L.Travers	H. Xu

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Guests:
D. Chapin-Berner		E. Corriero	R. Crawford
T. Curry	B. Green	G. Khanna	B. Lozeau
D. Massano	R. Panofsky	A. Smith	

1.   S. Leclair called the meeting to order.

        E. Carreiro moved and E. Fisher seconded a motion to accept the minutes as distributed. Motion passed.

2.   Steering Committee Report

        The Steering Committee met with the Provost and discussed such topics as
        *   the status of the search committee for the Vice Chancellor for Advancement;
     *   the status of the search committee for the Dean of the College of Arts and Science;
        *   the potential for a new Senate Committee concerning just Graduate School Admissions;
     *   the Provost's draft policies have been forwarded to the appropriate committees (University Research committee-indirect cost allocation; SFAAC-minimum class size and final exam policies; University Curriculum Committee - New programs)
Each will report in the spring semester.

*The task force of Graduate Assistant processing was charged. The members are : R. Panofsky, A. Fowler, A. Hausknecht, T. Su and E. Carreiro.

*The Steering Committee has not yet met with the Chancellor. Her office has not returned any phone calls, emails.

*Vice Chancellor Zekan will report on the campus' budget status in February.

3. Old Business

R. Panofsky led a presentation on the intercampus Student Information System (ISIS). ISIS is a current generation web-based product designed to be used by non-staff (students, facuty).

All functions currently found on SIS will be available and more.

Team is currently meeting with Departments to determine how advising is now done and how it will fit with ISIS..

R. Flynn further explained the "self service" portion of ISIS.

Questions included;
* Can you down load your roster to an excel grade book?   No.
* Can you upload your grades from an excel grade book?   No.
* Do all students get a new Student ID number?   Yes
* Can a student have more than one advisor?   Don't know
* Can a faculty member advise a non-advisee?   Not really
* Double majors--A student with a double major can have 2 advisors.
* Can a department chair over enroll a class?   No

4.   P. Gibbs reported on the Intercampus Faculty Council.
  * UMD has designated representatives by position while others have elected representatives.
  * The total budget of the UMass system is $700 billion of which $369 million is from the state.
  * The Southern New England School of Law merger appears to be going forward.
  * The University will be developing an alumni club in downtown Boston.
  * David Grey from UMass On Line explained that 92.5% of the student fees go to the campus of origin. There are currently approximately 16,400 students taking online courses with $15 million in revenue. 60% of the students are Massachusetts residents. Over 150 degrees have been granted .
  * Chairperson James Karam supports the change from regional representatives to the Board of Trustees to a "system-wide" Board of Trustees.

5.   E. Correiro presented a report from the Cultural Affairs Committee. ULPAC has $75,000 ($25,000 from student Affairs). The Cultural Affairs Committee has approximately $20,00 of this. the Provost has proposed an additional $15,000 but that has not happened yet. Several performances have been scheduled this year.

The CVPA Electronic Imaging Festival will be held in VI-153.

G. Koot moved and R. Kowalcyzk seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried.