

Minutes of the Faculty Senate Meeting – March 8, 2010

Present:	M,Altabet	M. Baum	J.Bisagni	J. Blitefield	D. Boerth	E.
Carreiro	C. Gardner	P. Gibbs	J. Griffith	M. Guo	Y. Kim	G.
Koot	K.Langley	S. Leclair	H. Michel	G. O’Rielly	E. Winiarz	
	S.Ordoobadi	J. Riley	D. Roscoe	B. Singh	C. Wang	
Absent:	M. Anderson	P. Bacdayan	J. Bergandy	B. Berube	S.Bhowmick	L.
Brodeur	L. Cheng	C. . Curran	R. Darst			
	A. Davenport	Q. Fan	K. Fields			
	D. Georginna	R. Golen	A. Hausknecht	M. Holloway	F.Karakaya	S.
Krumholz	R. Laoulache	W. LeBlanc	J. Leffers	J. Li	B.Mikolajczak	Y.
Magrass	M. McCurry	B. McFarlane	A. Mollo			
	V. Mendes	S. Peterson	A. Plaw	T. Puir	F. Scarano	
	S. Scott	S. Sibhari	L. Sun	Y. Zuo		
<b>Guests:</b>	S. Andrews	D. Berner	G. Clayton	S. Englemyer	J. Fain	A.
Fowler	A. Garro	R. Green	J. MacCormack	C. McNeil	J Hadley	R.
Peck	D. Pedro	J. Satlow	F Soares	M. Sneider	M. Sylvain	A.
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1. President Baum called the meeting to order.

J. Griffith moved and R. Golen seconded a motion to accept the minutes as distributed. Motion carried.

2. M. Baum presented the report of the Steering Committee:

-Thank you to Susan Leclair for arranging the presentation by Rep. Barney Frank to the campus on February 17<sup>th</sup>. It was well attended and the Congressman was pleased with the quality and quantity of questions by students.

-The powerpoint presentation “the Vision Project” by Richard Freeland, Commissioner of the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education is available.

-The Provost’s Evaluation project will be completed by the end of the academic year as scheduled.

3. Provost Garro reiterated a Board of Trustee's policy that only full Professors can be Professors emeriti and that the procedure to be followed is on the webs site. The process must begin in the person's department.

4. P. Gibbs reported on the intercampus Faculty Council meeting which is held on the same day as the Board of Trustee's meeting.

5. Provost Garro gave an update on the NEASC self study and visit. The final document was mailed by February 22, 2010. The self study visit will be during the week of April 11<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>. As soon as the schedule is firm, it will be announced. Please make every effort to attend the meetings with the site visitors.

6. Law school task Force - S. Leclair

The task force is currently reviewing, with the Law school Library Director, Spencer Clough, and R. Green, the process for melding the two library sites. Initial plans call for the merger of the two library databases (card catalogues). Access to the electronic legal databases such as WestLaw are by single person fee so budgeting for any increase in law school students will take that into account. Faculty access will be given to those faculty on the main campus who have responsibilities with the law school. The next item of discussion will be faculty appointments.

7. Admission Committee - E. Carreiro.

As of 3/5/10, the application number is higher than last year. But the common application form that we are using for the first time this year could be sent to potentially 393 schools and we do not have a sense of how that is impacting on our admissions process. The campus is sending out notification of merit scholarships earlier than last year in order to increase yield of these students. Financial aid packages will also go out earlier.

We currently have two important vacancies Associate Vice Chancellor fo Enrollment Management and Admissions Director. Searches are ongoing.

T.Reinhart reported that there is a new video and conference rooms available this year. Yield enhancement is critical to meet quotas.

8. The Library Committee and PHENOM reports will be postponed until the April meeting.

9. A. Mollo moved and G. Koot seconded a motion to adjourn. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,  
Susan J. Leclair  
Secretary *pro tem*

