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## University

### SENATE

May 14, 2008

WSSC

Meeting convened at 3:38 p.m.

2008-2009 Senate

**Members present (alphabetical):** Jamie Begian, Marc Bourque, Daryle Brown, Emilio Collar, Abe Echevarria, Carol Hawkes, Karen Koza, Tara Kuther, Sam Lightwood, Susan Maskel, Allen Morton, Margaret Murray, Zuohong Pan, James Scrimgeour, D. L. Stephenson, , Rebecca Woodward , Pam McDaniel

**Guests present:** Kimberly Bernstein, Michael Chappell, Josie Hamer, George Kain, Russ Gladstone, Elizabeth Popiel, Cigdem Usekes

#### **New Business.**

Officers were nominated and elected as follows. President, Sam Lightwood (Popiel, Echevarria) uncontested. Vice President, Susan Maskel (Lightwood, Popiel) uncontested. Secretary, Jeff Schlicht (Lightwood, Scrimgeour) uncontested. Archivist (Maskel, Popiel) uncontested.

Adjourned (Scrimgeour, Maskel)

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**Announcements.** Senator Maskel distributed a document from the Graduate Council entitled, "Western Connecticut State University, Division of Graduate Studies, Vision Committee, April 21, 2008" in which there is an item she wishes to discuss. The discussion is relegated to Other Business.

**Minutes.** Minutes with motions to accept and their passage occurred as follows:

R-08-05-01. October 2007 (Lightwood, Gladstone). No discussion. Passed with 2 abstentions.

R-08-05-02. November 2007 (Ganchev, Usekes). No discussion. Passed with 2 abstentions.

R-08-05-03. December 2007 (Gladstone, Ganchev). No discussion. Passed with 1 abstention.

R-08-05-04. February 2008 (Maskel, Scrimgeour). Passed with 1 abstention.

R-08-05-05. March 2008 (Maskel, Echevarria). No discussion. Passed with 1 abstention.

**Old Business.**

- A. R-07-12-01. Bylaw changes for Committee on General Education (Usekes, Qazi). Discussion ensues. Passed 7-5-3.
- B. R-08-04-01. CUCAS Bylaw change (Schlicht, Usekes). No Discussion. Passed 10-0-5.

**New Business.**

- A. R-08-05-06. Mediation Committee Bylaw changes (Maskel, Gladstone). No Discussion.  
R-08-05-07. There is a motion to suspend the rules in order to be able to vote on these changes now (Gladstone, Popiel). Sen. Usekes speaks to the desirability of the vote.  
Passed unanimously.  
Returning to the Mediation Bylaws, it is passed unanimously.
- B. R-08-05-08. Distance Education Committee Bylaw changes (Gladstone, Maskel). Josie Hamer addresses the changes. Sen Hawkes notes the correct name of the Art School should be the School of Visual and Performing Arts. The vote will occur in September.
- C. Committee Reports are received.
  - a. Academic Leave report. No Comments.
  - b. Center for Business Research. Minor Comments.
  - c. Enrollment Management. No Comments.
  - d. Mediation. No Comments.
  - e. CUCAS. Discussion Ensues.
  - f. UPBC. No Comments.
  - g. General Education. A minor correction is offered.
  - h. Physical Working Conditions. Discussion Ensues.
  - i. Institute of Holistic Health Studies. No comments.

- j. Termination Hearing Committee. No comments.
- k. Faculty Development. No comments.
- l. Nominations and Elections Committee. No comments.
- m. Distance Education. No comments.
- n. C.E.L.T. No comments.
- o. Center for Business Research. No comments.
- p. Assessment Committee. No comments.
- q. Research and Development. No comments.

**Other Business.**

- A. Sen. Maskel thanks Tara Kuther for her years of service.
- B. Discussion ensues about the Graduate Council's document and its possible implications.

**Adjournment** (Scrimgeour, Echevarria) at 4:30 PM.

WCSU SENATE RESOLUTIONS

- R-08-05-01. THE SENATE ACCEPTS THE OCTOBER 2007 MINUTES. Passed 16-0-2
- R-08-05-02. THE SENATE ACCEPTS THE NOVEMBER 2007 MINUTES. Passed 16-0-2
- R-08-05-03. THE SENATE ACCEPTS THE DECEMBER 2007 MINUTES. Passed 17-0-1
- R-08-05-04. THE SENATE ACCEPTS THE FEBRUARY 2008 MINUTES. Passed 17-0-1
- R-08-05-05. THE SENATE ACCEPTS THE MARCH 2008 MINUTES. Passed 17-0-1
- R-07-12-01. THE SENATE SHALL ACCEPT THE PROPOSED GENERAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE BYLAW CHANGES. Passed 7-5-3.
- R-08-04-01. THE SENATE SHALL ACCEPT THE PROPOSED CUCAS BYLAW CHANGES. Passed 10-0-5.
- R-08-05-06. THE SENATE SHALL ACCEPT THE PROPOSED MEDIATION COMMITTEE BYLAW CHANGES. Passed unanimously, after R-08-05-07.
- R-08-05-07. THE SENATE SHALL SUSPEND THE RULES IN ORDER TO VOTE UPON R-08-05-06. Passed unanimously.
- R-08-05-08. THE SENATE SHALL ACCEPT THE PROPOSED DISTANCE EDUCATION COMMITTEE BYLAW CHANGES. Deferred until September.