Highlights: Faculty Senate Meeting 12/3/13

The Faculty Senate heard reports from Speaker of the Faculty Lynn Cherry, Provost George Hynd, and Vince Benigni, Faculty Athletics Representative, on the NBC Learn Initiative.

Two motions to change the By-Laws passed:
- Motion to Exclude Faculty Faculty Members Currently under Post-Tenure Review from the Post-Tenure Review Committee
- Motion to Exclude Faculty Members Currently under Promotion Review from the Advisory Committee on Tenure, Promotion and Third-Year Review

Numerous motions brought by the Faculty Curriculum Committee (FCC) passed:
- to change prerequisites for ASTR 210, 311, 312, and 377
- to change URST 401 to variable-credit (1-3 hours)
- to change the prefix of MGMT 445 to ENTR
- to renumber URST 201 to URST 101, BIOL 396/PHYS 296 to BIOL 396/PHYS 396, and ASTR 206 to ASTR 306
- to approve new courses:
  THTR 288 - Selected Topics in Theatre: Literature and Criticism
  THTR 488 - Selected Topics in Theatre II: Literature and Criticism
  HONS 121 and 122 - Colloquium in Ancient/Medieval/Early Modern Western Civilization, History Component & Humanities Component, respectively
  HONS 131 and 132 - Colloquium in Western Civilization: The Modern Self in Art, Thought, and Action, History Component & Humanities Component, respectively
  ASTR 231 - Introduction to Astrophysics
  AAST 290 - Special Topics
  AAST 305 - Visiting Artist Practicum
  AAST 315 - Black Women Writers
  HTMT 310 - Current Topics in Hospitality and Tourism Management
- to deactivate MGMT 319
- to make program changes in the ASTR BA major, ASTR BS major, PHYS major, ASTR minor, AAST, CRLS, and POLI

A motion brought by the FCC to change the method by which curricular proposals are approved by the Senate failed.

A combined 5-Year (4+1) BS/MS in Computer Science passed

The General Education Committee’s motion to approve the following courses passed.
For Humanities: DANC 150 - Dance Appreciation, THTR 288 - Selected Topics in Theatre Literature and Criticism, and THTR 488 - Selected Topics in Theatre II; Literature and Criticism.
For Social Science: INTL 120 - Economics of Globalization.

The Faculty Welfare Committee presented two motions for discussion (they will now go to the by-laws committee): a motion to add adjunct faculty members to three faculty committees and a motion to add three adjunct faculty members to the Faculty Senate.

A resolution that invited guests and committee representatives formally addressing the Faculty
Senate provide text of comments one week prior to Faculty Senate meetings failed.

Provost Hynd's motion for the approval of degree candidates for the December graduation ceremony passed.

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**Next Senate meeting**: Tuesday, January 14 @ 5PM in Wells Fargo Auditorium (Beatty Center 115). Agenda items due Thursday, January 2.

Respectfully submitted,

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