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**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY SENATE
November 8, 2004**

1. Senator Spiggle officially called the regular meeting of the University Senate of November 8, 2004 to order at 4:04 p.m. in Room 7 of the Bishop Center.
2. Approval of Minutes

Senator Spiggle presented the minutes from the regular meeting of October 11, 2004 for review.

The minutes were approved without modification.

3. Report of the President – Provost Maryanski reported for President Austin.
 - Recent news reports of a surplus from last fiscal year are misleading. The so called “surplus” is nominal and in fact reflects balances in accounts whose money has been allocated. This includes money allocated to the Early Retirement Program filling 68 of the vacancies created by this program. This figure is less than 3% of our overall budget.
 - The current Connecticut Legislative session will address our proposal to fill the proposed 150 new faculty positions.
 - The Academic Plan Provost’s competition has concluded. Four projects have been accepted. Projects are funded at approximately \$450,000.
 - There are plans to shorten the spring undergraduate commencement but keep two undergraduate sessions. The graduate commencement might be rescheduled for just before finals week.
 - All academic units are developing their metrics for program evaluation.
 - UNESCO presentations will be held on November 9, 2004.
 - Visiting-scholar housing practices are being evaluated. Spring housing requests have been and are being accepted.
 - We continue to increase the percentage of undergraduate underrepresented groups, although the rate of growth is slowing.

4. Report of the Senate Executive Committee

Senator Zirakzadeh presented the written report of Senate Executive Committee.

(See Attachment #10)

5. Report of the Provost and Executive Vice President for Academic Affairs on Capital Projects and Master Planning Efforts - Senator Fox presented the report.

Senator Fox reviewed the “Campus Master Plan Update “neighborhood” by “neighborhood” and entertained questions and comments. Please note: copies of the handout on “Campus Master Plan Update” are available in the Senate office. Senator Fox emphasized that elimination of various parking spaces. The parking advisory committee and its working groups are examining the ramifications of lost parking spaces. Dialogue about parking problems and their possible solutions continues.

6. Senator Fox presented the Report of the Nominating Committee

(See Attachment #11)

Following three motions were combined:

We move the following faculty and staff additions to the named Standing Committees:

Karen Bresciano to Student Welfare Committee
Jennifer Nadeau to Faculty Standards Committee

We move the following undergraduate student additions to the named Standing Committees:

Hannah Adams as representative to Scholastic Standards
Aaron Burton as representative to Curricula & Courses
Thomas Dillon as representative to Student Welfare
Derek Olson as representative to Student Welfare

We move the following graduate student addition to the named Standing Committee:

Carrie Fyler as representative to Faculty Standards

The motion carried.

7. Senator Kendall presented the Annual Report of the Faculty Standards Committee
(See Attachment #12)
8. Senator Jeffers presented the Report of the Curricula & Courses Committee
(See Attachment #13)
 - a. The committee recommends approval of the following new 100-level courses:
 - ENGL 114 Introduction to Literary Study
 - SOCI 133 SOCIETY IN GLOBAL PERSPECTIVE

The motion carried.

- b. The committee recommends approval of the following new 200-level courses:
 - URBN 220 Survey Research Methods
 - NRME 220 Introduction to Geomatics

The motion carried.

- c. The committee recommends approval of the following new 200-level course:
 - INTD 251 Foundations of Leadership

Senator Zirakzadeh moved to table.
Senator Mannheim seconded the motion to table.

The motion to table the motion carried.

- d. The committee recommends approval of the following motions on Philosophy:

- Add PHIL 107 to the clause that currently reads "No student may receive more than 6 credits for PHIL 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106" for several introductory courses, including PHIL 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107.
- Add PHIL 107 to the pre-requisite that currently reads "Prerequisite: At least one of PHIL 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106" for several 200 level courses including PHIL 200, 205, 210, 210W, 211, 211V, 212, 212W, 213, 215, 215W, 216, 216W, 217, 217W, 218, 221, 221W, 222, 222W, 224, 224W, 226, 228, 231, 261, 261W, 263.

The motion carried.

- e. For the information of the Senate, the following 200-level courses have had prerequisite changes approved:
- **HIST 297W Senior Seminar.** Add HIST 211 as prerequisite and remove HIST 211 as co requisite.
 - **MMAT 201 Materials Science & Engineering I** Add CHEM 127Q or CHEM 129Q as prerequisite and drop CHEM 128Q or CHEM 130Q as prerequisite.
 - **MMAT 243 Introduction to Structure, Properties and Processing of Materials I** Add CHEM 127Q or CHEM 129Q as prerequisite and drop CHEM 128Q or CHEM 130Q as prerequisite.
 - **SOCI 207Q Quantitative Methods in Social Research** Add SOCI 205 to the list of prerequisites.
 - **SOCI 230W Society and the Individual** Drop SOCI 107 as prerequisite.
 - **SOCI 260W Social Organization** Drop SOCI 107 and delete "Sociology majors should take this required course in their junior year."
 - **SOCI 270W Social Theory** Change prerequisites to be: SOCI 107, 115, or 125; Engl 110 or 111 or 250.
- f. For the information of the Senate, the committee has approved the following INTD special topics courses for the topics indicated:
- **INTD 195 SPECIAL TOPIC LECTURE [INTELLECTUAL THEMES AND THEIR HISTORICAL CONTEXTS]** 1 credit honors at Stamford.
 - **INTD 196 SPECIAL TOPIC LECTURE [ISSUES IN THE NEWS]** 1 credit honors at Stamford.
 - **INTD 298 SPECIAL TOPICS [INTERDISCIPLINARY HONORS SEMINAR: CLINICAL AND SCIENTIFIC APPROACHES TO MEDICINE]** 1 credit honors at Storrs
- g. The Curricula & Courses Committee moves that the University Senate approve the following courses for the new General Education Curriculum:
1. Courses for consideration by the University Senate in Content Area 1 (Arts & Humanities). Courses also approved for W included in list.

ECON	201W	Economic History of Europe
ENGL	127W	Major Works of English and American Literature
ENGL	130	Intro to Shakespeare
FINA	183	African-American Experience in the Arts
FREN	1XZW	Literature & Cultures of the Postcolonial Francophone World
FREN	235	French Modernity
GERM	169	Contemporary Germany in Europe

GERM	171	The German Film
GERM	258	Germans in Africa, Blacks in Germany...
HIST	121	Women in History
INTD	294	The Bible
PHIL	105W	Philosophy and Religion
SPAN	1XX	Christians, Muslims and Jews in Medieval Spain

The motion carried.

2. Courses for consideration by the University Senate in Content Area 2 (Social Sciences).

ECON	108	Game Theory in the Natural and Social Sciences
GEOG	165	Globalization
HDFS	180	Close Relationships Across the Lifespan
POLS	1xx	Introduction to Human Rights

Senator Freake amended motion to remove GEOG 165.
Seconded by Senator Dashefsky.

The motion to amend carried.

The amended motion carried.

3. Courses for consideration by the University Senate in Content Area 3 (Science and Technology). Courses also approved for Q included in list.

ECE	100	A Survey of Modern Electronic Technology
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The motion carried.

4. Courses for consideration by the University Senate in Content Area 4 (Diversity and Multiculturalism). Courses also approved for W included in list.

MAY NOT be used to satisfy the “International” requirement:

ENGL	261	Latina/o Literature
ENGL	269	Intro to LGBT Literature
ENGL	227W	World Literature in English
FINA	183	African-American Experience in the Arts
FREN	1XZW	Literature & Cultures of the Postcolonial Francophone World
GEOG	165	Globalization
HIST	121	Women in History
INTD	211	Seminar on Urban Problems
PLSC	125	Insects, Food and Culture
PRLS	210	Contemporary Issues in Latino Studies
PRLS	210W	Contemporary Issues in Latino Studies
PRLS	220	History of Latinos/as in the United States

PRLS	264	Latinas and Media
PSYC	270W	Black Psychology
PSYC	2xx	Introduction to Multicultural Psychology
PSYC	2yy	Social Psychology of Multiculturalism
SOCI	245	Sociology of Sexualities
SOCI	245W	Sociology of Sexualities

MAY be used to satisfy the “International” requirement:

GERM	169	Contemporary Germany in Europe
GERM	171	The German Film
GERM	258	Germans in Africa, Blacks in Germany...
POLS	1xx	Introduction to Human Rights
SPAN	278W	Intermediate Spanish Composition

**Senator Freake amended motion to remove SPAN 278 W
Seconded by Senator Eby**

The motion to amend carried.

The amended motion carried.

5. Courses approved by committee and reported to Senate for addition of Q skill code. These are in addition to courses listed in item 2 above.

MUSI	279Q	Twentieth Century Theory and Analysis
PNB	263WQ	Investigations in Neurobiology

6. Courses approved by committee and reported to Senate for addition of W skill code. These are in addition to courses listed in item 1 and 4 above.

CDIS	202W	Speech and Language Acquisition
CDIS	244W	Introduction to Neurogenic Communication Disorders
CDIS	249W	Introduction to Aural Rehabilitation
CHEG	239W	Chemical Engineering Lab
CHEM	265W	Physical Chemistry Lab
COMM	242W	Government Communication
COMM	251W	Advanced Nonverbal Communication
COMM	273W	Media, State and Society
CSE	293W	Computer Science and Engineering Design Project
DIET	213W	Applied Community Nutrition
EDCI	221W	Teaching Reading & Writing in the Elementary School
EDCI	260W	Methods of Foreign Language Instruction, PreK - 12
EDCI	266W	Instruction and Curriculum in the Secondary School
ENGL	221W	Renaissance English Literature
ENGL	256W	Honors VII: English Literature
ENGL/INTD	265W	Seminar in American Studies
HDFS	293W	Professional Communication in HDFS
LAMS	290W	Latin American Studies Research Seminar

MATH	202W	Pedagogical Seminar
ME	260W	Measurement Techniques
ME	273W	Senior Design Project II
PHIL	217W	Social and Political Philosophy
PHIL	250W	Philosophy of Mind
PHIL	261W	Medieval Philosophy
PHIL	2XXW	Philosophy of Psychology
PHIL	2ZZW	Philosophy and Neuroscience
PNB	263WQ	Investigations in Neurobiology
SOCI	258W	The Developing World
SPAN	278W	Intermediate Spanish Composition
SPAN	291 W	Advanced Spanish Composition
SPAN	292W	Senior Seminar for Spanish Majors
WS	265W	Women's Studies Research Methodology

9. Senator Freake presented the Report of the General Education Oversight Committee
(See Attachment #14)

The General Education Oversight Committee moves that the University Senate approve the following courses for the new General Education Curriculum:

- a. Courses for consideration by the University Senate in Content Area 1 (Arts & Humanities):

CLCS 102	Classics of World Literature
ECON 203W	American Economic History
HIST 121	Women in History

The motion carried.

- b. Courses for consideration by the University Senate in Content Area 1 (Arts & Humanities):

1. MAY NOT be used satisfy the “International” requirement:

HIST 121	Women in History
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2. MAY be used to satisfy the “International” requirement:

ENGL 218	Literature and Culture of the Third World
CLCS 102	Classics of World Literature
ANTH 215	Migration

The motion carried.

- c. For the information of the Senate, the following Writing Competency courses have been approved:

BME 261W	Biomechanics
CDIS 296W	Senior Thesis
CHEM 270W	Technical Communications
CHEM 297W	Thesis for Undergraduate Chemistry
ECE 210W	Electrical Circuits
ECON 203W	American Economic History
ECON 242W	International Trade
MATH 242W	History of Mathematics
MATH 292W	Senior Thesis in Mathematics
PHYS 258W	Lab in Electricity, Magnetism and Mechanics

10. Senator Moiseff presented the Report of the Scholastic Standards Committee

(See Attachment #15)

Motion 1: Update the By-Laws to include the December graduation

Motion: The Scholastic Standards Committee moves that Section II.C.3 of the Senate By-Laws be revised to read:

Conferral of Degrees

Degrees will be conferred three times annually: on Commencement Day *in May and December, and* on a date *August 24* following the summer sessions, ~~and on a date following the fall semester, as determined by the President.~~ Students who do not complete work for the degree by one conferral date may qualify for the next conferral date by satisfactorily completing all graduation requirements.

~~Commencement will be held once a year, The University has two Commencement Days each year, in May, following the spring semester, and in December following the fall semester.~~ Students who have had degrees conferred at the end of the previous summer or fall semester, and candidates for degrees at the end of the spring semester and the following summer sessions may participate in the annual commencement. *Students who are candidates for May or the following August may participate in the May Commencement. Students who are candidates for December and those who will complete their requirements in the following January may participate in the December Commencement.*

The motion carried.

Motion 2: Add Graduate Student representation to the Scholastic Standards Committee

Motion: The Scholastic Standards Committee moves that Section I.C.2.d of the Senate By-Laws be revised to read:

Scholastic Standards

This committee shall prepare legislation within the jurisdiction of the Senate concerning those scholastic matters affecting the University as a whole, and not assigned to the Curricula and Courses Committee, including special academic

programs, the marking system, scholarship standards, and the like. It shall make an annual report at the February meeting for the Senate. This committee shall include two undergraduate students *and one graduate student*.

The motion carried.

11. Unfinished Business – None

12. New Business – None

Senator Fox added that the University has hired a landscape architect to redesign the core quad and is considering a proposal to relocate the Waugh sun dial.

Motion to adjourn carried by a standing vote of the Senate.

The meeting adjourned at 5:44 p.m.

Minutes respectfully submitted,

Kim Chambers
Senate Secretary

The following members and alternates were absent from the November 8, 2004 meeting:

Anderson, Thomas
Aronson, Lorraine
Austin, Philip
Bergman, Theodore
Breen, Margaret
Brown, Scott
Bull, Nancy
Clausen, John
Cusack, Liz
Facchinetti, Neil
Gianutsos, Gerald
Gramling, Lawrence

Herzberger, David
Hightower, Larry
Humphreys, Nancy
Jain, Faquir
Kaufman, Douglas
Lillo-Martin, Diane
Macgill, Hugh
Majumdar, Suman
McCarthy, Robert
Ndoeye, Abdou
Palmer, David
Pickering, Samuel

Porter-Benson, Susan
Rabinowitz, Adam
Reis Renzulli, Sally
Roe, Shirley
Sacco, Peter
Saddlemire, John
Singha, Suman
Taylor, Ronald
Thorson, Robert
Tremmel, Michael
Williams, Michelle