Probation/Dismissal Policy DRAFT

Please check details - such as those present, those absent, spelling of names, etc. - and send me corrections as soon as possible. I'll re-draft these minutes prior to the next meeting after incorporating additions and corrections sent to me.

SU Faculty Senate Meeting 11 May HH 119

2003 - 2004 Senators present:, Curtin, Diriker, Hopson, Hutchinson, Long, Marshall, Mathews, McDermott, McCallops, McKenzie, Mullins, O'Loughlin, Parker, Pereboom, Rotondo, Rieck, Shannon

2003 - 2004 Senator absent: Muller

2004-2005 Senators present: Groth, Howard, Venso

- 1. David Rieck called the Senate to order at 3:32 pm. Quorums for both the 2003-2004 and the 2004-2005 senates were present.
- 2. David had several brief announcements:
 - A. The Bookstore Report is here. He will send it out. He asked for volunteers for an ad-hoc group to advise the bookstore about faculty issues. He will serve. Anyone interested in serving should e-mail him. This same group will serve as an advisory group concerning facilities reservations.
 - B. Bylaws referenda are coming out soon. He will send an e-mail to the faculty indicating that the faculty senate endorses all three.
 - C. Department chairs, department secretaries, and a number of other people have access to PeopleSoft screens which show everyone's date of birth and social security numbers.
- 3. Dave Buchanan had several announcements.
 - A. Chairs and department secretaries require access to the screen which displays social security numbers. He did not know how this could be corrected, but he promised to look into the matter.
 - B. The Bookstore report zinged us on textbook ordering and customer service. The report did not recommend outsourcing as a solution.
 - C. There is no official budget news. The System is anticipating the Governor's veto of the bill mandating tuition caps. As a consequence we anticipate about a 10% increase in SU's tuition next year. The COLA for all state employees is only 70% funded, further increasing our own

- financial pressures. The Chancellor sent the institutions a letter regarding salary guidelines. There will be 2.5% merit money for faculty, and it must all be used for merit. There will be no merit increase, by order of the System, for Presidents and Provosts.
- D. In the fall, the Provost's Faculty Meeting will be held on Wednesday 25 August at 1:00 p.m., with the Deans meeting with their schools later that same afternoon.
- E. The Fall Convocation will be on the second Tuesday. Attendance will be mandatory for students in the orientation classes, which should improve student attendance. (Attendance was not required at the 2003 convocation, and this might explain the poor student turnout.)
- F. There will be a new student-oriented activity organized for the Friday before classes begin in the fall.
- 4. The draft minutes of the 27 April meeting were approved,
- 5. On behalf of the Learning Technology Committee, Dave Parker presented an updated draft of recommendations for students purchasing new computers. Senators recommended several changes which Dave incorporated into another update. A final document should appear on the SU web site prior to new student orientation this summer.
- 6. Dave Parker also reported that the second meeting of the SU Product (a.k.a. PeopleSoft) Academic Advisory Group had gone very well, and he expressed optimism that this committee could help solve PeopleSoft problems.
- 7. The Academic Policies Committee presented draft catalog copy for the newly approved policies regarding penalties for academic misconduct. After discussion and several minor editing changes, the senate approved the copy 16 0. It was announced that the faculty would be notified of these changes, and pertinent information will be included in the new faculty orientation. The major new provisions are these:

University-Imposed Sanctions for Academic Misconduct

A course grade of F received for academic integrity violation(s) will remain in the student's GPA and on the transcript. The course can be repeated, but both grades will be calculated in the GPA and remain on the transcript.

A student who has received a course grade of F for academic integrity violation(s) will not be allowed to graduate with University honors.

Repeat offenders reported to the University Judicial Administrator will be automatically referred to the Academic Policies Committee, which will decide on any additional sanctions beyond those imposed by individual faculty members/departmental committees. These sanctions may include suspension or expulsion from the University and/or an F on the transcript identified as an "academic dishonesty F."

8. With business for the "old" senate concluded, Dave Rieck thanked the four

faculty senators who were retiring:

Elizabeth Curtin Victoria Hutchinson Robert Long Doug Marshall

He then conducted elections for the three officers, other than President, for the 2004 - 2005 faculty senate. Each ran unopposed, and the officers for next year are as follows:

President: Mike O'Loughlin (Automatic, Vice President in 2003 - 2004) **Vice-President: Maarten Pereboom** (Will be President in 2005-2006)

Secretary: Dave Parker Webmaster: Joe Howard

9. David Rieck adjourned the meeting just after 4:12 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Dave Parker, Secretary