



General Faculty Meeting Minutes

May 5, 2009

125 Butler-Carlton/Civil Engineering, 4:00pm

- I. Call-to-Order: Faculty Senate President Carroll called the meeting of the General Faculty to order at 4:00pm
- II. Announcements – none
- III. Memorial Resolutions - none
- IV. Faculty Senate President Carroll called for approval of the minutes of the December 2, 2008 meeting. The minutes were approved as circulated.
- V. Unfinished Business – none
- VI. Reports of Standing and Special Committees

A. Campus Tenure Committee – Election for representatives to U-wide Tenure Committee

Faculty Senate President Carroll presented candidates for the U-wide Tenure Committee and distributed ballots. The following faculty were elected:

University-Wide Tenure – V.A. Samaranayake (Representative)  
Jagannathan Sarangapani (Alternate)

VII. New Business

A. Approval of candidates for degrees.

It was moved and seconded that the names on the previously circulated list of candidates for degrees May 15 and May 16, 2009, be approved, subject to successful completion of any remaining degree requirements. Motion was approved. (Three additional names were added at the meeting in Environmental Engineering, Information Science and Technology and Mining Engineering).

B. Recognition of Faculty Patent Awards. Provost Wray recognized the following:

U.S. Patent No. 7,464,005

“Electromagnetic Emissions Stimulation and Detection Systems”

Daryl Beetner

U.S. Patent No. 7,439,749

“Non-Destructive Testing of Physical Characteristics of Composite Structures”

Reza Zoughi and Sergey Kharkovsky

U.S. Patent No. 7,421,910

“Design and Fabrication of High Sensitivity Continuous Sensors with Cables”

Genda Chen, David Pommerenke and James Drewniak

U.S. Patent No. 7,399,720

“Glass and Glass-Ceramic Sealant Compositions”

Richard K. Brow and Signo Tadeu Dos Reis

U.S. Patent No. 7,268,319

“Method of Metallurgically Bonding Articles and Article Thereof”

Hai-Lung Tsai

U.S. Patent No. 7,265,313

“Method and Apparatus for Improving Cooling Resistance Welding Cap”

Hai-Lung Tsai

C. Bylaws Amendment Proposal

Professor Kosbar reviewed the proposed changes to the faculty bylaws and the process to have those changes approved.

D. Chancellor’s Report

Provost Wray announced there would not be a Chancellor’s report since the State of the University address was given on April 28, 2009 by the Chancellor.

E. Faculty Senate President’s Report

Faculty Senate President Carroll briefly discussed several topics and issues recently addressed by the Faculty Senate.

VIII. Adjournment – The meeting was adjourned at 4:17pm.

VII. Executive Session – Provost Wray convened the Executive Session and presented candidates for honorary degrees. Ballots were distributed with the results to be forward by Chancellor Carney to the Board of Curators for consideration.

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Laura K. Stoll, Secretary