

Meeting commenced at **3:35 p.m.**

Members present: Eve Buzawa, Michael Carter, Robert Parkin, Robert Kunzendorf, Caryn Bell, Doreen Arcus, Paul Coppens, Melissa Pennell, John Wooding, Liana Cheney, James Egan, Arthur Mittler, Jay Simmons, Ruth Remington, Alan Doerr, Russell Karl, Margaret Knight, Thomas Wilson, Betty Morgan, Alex Case, Rafael Moure-Eraso, Charlotte, Ryan, Mitra Das, David Lustick, Marina Ruths, Oliver Ibe, Clayton French, Ravi Montenegro, Eric Nelson, Cynthia Ferrara, Marie Frank, Francis Bonner, Andrew Hostetler, Karen Roehr, Dave Ryan, Bryan Buccholz, Anthony Szczesiul, Stafanie Tate, Janie Casello Bouges, Yi Yang, Craig Slatin, Jacob Stowell

Also: Patricia Duff, Charlotte Mandell, Donald Pierson, Partha Chowdhury, Ahmed Abdelal, Kathryn Carter, Charles Carroll

Chancellor Meehan requested to speak to Senate on the progress of downtown hotel acquisition. The Building Authority has an agreement of \$15 million to upgrade windows and make other repairs. The Chancellor sees this as a major positive step for UML as there are over 5,000 MCC students in that area every day. He foresees the hotel's use as a faculty club and a visitor's center. 350-380 students to be housed in there by September (more than likely to be Honors students, upper classmen, and a certain number of rooms kept open year round. There will be possibly be a conference center. And there will be 320 parking spots deeded to the hotel in the adjacent parking garage. This will mean collaboration with the City of Lowell, and with Middlesex Community College, and interchange with MCC faculty regarding a "faculty club". We've offered an entire floor to MCC for their International Students program. The MCC has a Culinary Arts program, and that too may be utilized somehow at the hotel. If you have ideas or thoughts on the integration of the hotel with the city and MCC, please forward these ideas to Chancellor.

Election of officers of Faculty Senate

Nominated names : Ann Marie Hurley for Senate President
Michael Carter for Vice President

Objection was raised that nominated names were not sent out two weeks prior to this meeting as stated in the by-laws.

A **proposal** was put forward to suspend rules and vote today on nominated candidates, and seconded.

24 voted in favor; 15 against.

Motion #1 to reopen the nomination for President; seconded. All in favor
Nominate Ann Marie Hurley, vote –in favor

Motion #2 to Reopen nomination for Vice President ; seconded. All in Favor
No additional names were added.
Vote to nominate Michael Carter, Vote – in favor

Vote on candidates:

Ann Marie Hurley: 36 in favor; 2 blank, 6 abstain

Michael Carter: 35 in favor, 3 blank, 6 abstain

Provost Abdelal spoke to Senate. He asked the Executive Committee of Senate to incorporate the various councils into the framework of the Faculty Senate. Each council has a specific budget and those funds will be available. Faculty Senate will have these councils as part of their sub-committees and report back to the Full Senate.

Michael Carter (Faculty Representative to Board of Trustees)

A reminder that this position is up for re-election in the fall semester. Until that time, Prof. Carter will continue to serve. There have been no meetings in the last two months from the Board of Trustees; next meeting is in June.

Arthur Mittler, UPC

Changes to the Honors program.

1. List Honors Program courses under their own course designation (HN rather than 59)
2. Approve HN.110 first year seminar in Honors, 3 credits
3. change 59.258 to HN 310, Honors workshop, 3 credits
4. Establish Honors courses with Honors Director as instructor of record for tracking thesis progress

Amend part “B” and make them both “zero” credits although graded S/U

Call to **vote as amended**---all in favor, **motion carried**

Bachelor of Science Degree Program in Environmental Health

To be implemented by September 2010 and enough interest is shown, to have 60 students enrolled by 2014. If successful in recruiting, we would need additional full time faculty member and a TA.

Vote: all in favor, *motion carried*

New Course—Forensic Science for the Non-Scientist

Discussion ensued; Does every course have to come before the Senate? No, only of its an interdisciplinary course. Actually, rather than vote on this new course, a list of new courses could be given to the Senate for perusal to avoid duplication.

No vote was taken.

GPAC (Robert Parkin)

Mechanical Engineering proposals

Change in M.S. degree—change credits from 33 to 30; and to make other minor changes

Vote: all in favor, *motion carried*

Certificate programs in M.E.

Vote: all in favor, *motion carried*

Proposal for Accelerated Master's Degree program in Mathematics/Epidemiology

5-year combined Bachelors/Masters program. (Bachelors in Mathematics/ Masters in Epidemiology)

All in favor-*motion carried*

Second Option for MBA students

Dr. Kathryn Carter, Dean, College of Management

Item inadvertently omitted from last meeting—offer a second option for MBA students if they want one. This allows student to pick up a second option and/or a 3rd option.

Vote: all in favor, *motion passed.*

Policies and Procedures Relating to Misconduct in Scientific Research

The President's Office has noted that UML did not have a proper policy in place on misconduct, and they want to post all campus policies on the web. (the policy that is currently up for UML did not originate with UML and was copied from elsewhere).

Motion: to send the policy amended by Dr. Chowdhury to the Research and Scholarship committee and all Center and Institute Directors for perusal and comment. Motion seconded

(friendly amendment: while waiting, put this document on the web—amendment was then rescinded after some discussion)

Vote: all in favor, *motion passed.*

Approval of April minutes --(Prof. David Lustick wanted it noted that he did attend this meeting)

Proposal: to give the Executive Committee the authority to act on matters over the summer (issues to be brought to the full Senate in October)

Vote: *motion passed.*

Meeting adjourned at **5:35 p.m.**