President K. Smith reminded faculty of voting to be held on the one-year contract, a visit by State APSCUF President Mash on November 28, and an expected time frame of late January or early February for campus visits by president finalists.

V. Report of the Student Senate

Student Senate Chair Lukenbill

IX. Reports of the Faculty Senate Standing Committees

GCPRC

NEW GRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS

- (4) SCCN 625: Ethics and Law in School Counseling, 3 credits, DL. Proposal for new course.
- (5) Post-Graduate Certification, Expressive Arts. Proposal for new 15-credit program.

CHANGES TO GRADUATE POLICY

(6) Graduate Degree Candidacy. Proposal to allow programs to outline their process for reviewing candidacy.

UCPRC

Senator Dreon discussed the role of UCPRC in evaluating GenEd labels and resolving concerns about proposals not unanimously approved in area curriculum committees. The subcommittee structure with representation from UCPRC and GERC to recommend P/D/W/DL/FYI labels was reviewed. It was noted that recertifications are done along with a department's 5-year review cycle. Concerns were raised by departments, particularly Nursing, that online courses with P and D labels are being expected to have a synchronous component in order to meet the goals of these labels. Discussion was held about diverse instructional designs that could satisfy the definitions as outlined without necessarily being synchronous. With the expansion of DL offerings that carry GenEd labels, the current language appears to contain inadequate clarity about how GenEd goals

Systems Status link on the logins website. A question was raised about help tickets being marked resolved when the user does not yet agree with that status. Ms. Pruskowski recommended resubmitting if problems persist. Despite lacking a night time supervisor, a longer portion of the day is being covered by scheduling current employees across a wider time frame. Urgent help is offered during night for issues that impact the whole campus but not for individuals. She recommended that faculty advocate for enhanced IT support to the Provost and Cabinet. Ms. Pruskowski also noted the cost of storage of D2L courses was the impetus for purging older courses and reminded faculty of ways to archive materials or recover content prior to course deletion.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Aimee L. Miller Faculty Senate Secretary

Action Summary:

The minutes of the October 17, 2017 meeting of the Faculty Senate were approved as written.

- (1) ENGL: Creative Writing & Publishing minor. Proposal to establish the curriculum for a new minor was approved without dissent.
- (2) BS Business Administration, General Business option. Proposal establishing the curriculum and policies for a new option was approved without dissent.

CHANGES TO UNDERGRADUATE COURSES & PROGRAMS

- (3) GEOG 499: Honors Thesis. Proposal to change course description was approved without dissent.
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