Minutes of the 
Fourth Regular Meeting of the Thirty-Fifth Senate 
Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne 
December 14, 2015 
12:00 P.M., Kettler G46

Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Approval of the minutes of November 9, 2015
3. Acceptance of the agenda – K. Pollock
4. Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties
   a. Indiana University – J. Badia
   b. Purdue University – M. Masters
5. Report of the Presiding Officer – A. Downs
6. Committee reports requiring action
   a. Indiana University Committee on Institutional Affairs (Senate Reference No. 15-14) – J. Badia
   b. Educational Policy Committee (Senate Document SD 15-7) – J. Leatherman
   c. Educational Policy Committee (Senate Document SD 15-8) – J. Leatherman
   d. Educational Policy Committee (Senate Document SD 15-9) – J. Leatherman
7. New business
   a. University Resources Policy Committee (Senate Document SD 15-10) – S. Bischoff
   b. Faculty Affairs Committee (Senate Document SD 15-11) – C. Gurgur
8. Committee reports “for information only”
9. The general good and welfare of the University
10. Adjournment*

*The meeting will adjourn or recess by 1:15 p.m.

Presiding Officer: A. Downs
Parliamentarian: J. Malanson
Sergeant-at-Arms: G. Steffen
Secretary: S. Mettert

Attachment:

“Results of the Election of the Indiana University Faculty Board of Review” (SR No. 15-15)
“Proposed change to Academic Regulations regarding GPA terms” (SD 15-7)
“Process to approve new courses and programs at IPFW” (SD 15-8)
“Proposed change to Academic Regulations for GPA calculations for Graduation with Distinction and with Highest Distinction” (SD 15-9)
“Approval of replacement member of the University Resources Policy Committee (SD 15-10)
“Approval of replacement member of the Faculty Affairs Committee” (SD 15-11)
Acta

1. **Call to order:** A. Downs called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

2. **Approval of the minutes of November 9, 2015:** The minutes were approved as distributed.

3. **Acceptance of the agenda:**

   K. Pollock moved to approve the agenda as distributed.

   The agenda was approved as distributed.

4. **Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties:**

   a. **Indiana University:**

      J. Badia: J. Badia was absent, therefore no report from Indiana Speaker.

   b. **Purdue University:**

      M. Masters: I have a number of things to say. First, I want to complement Vice Chancellor Drummond on the proposal that was developed on professional CL’s. I think there still needs to be some consideration for a few CL’s who are terminally degreed who are doing commissary work.

      Second item, there has been some proposal (I think) that has floated by Vice Chancellor Drummond about first and second year students needing advised by professional
advisors. I think this should have feedback from the appropriate senate committees, such as EPC.

Third item, the Purdue West Lafayette Senate is called the University Senate, and the Senate really make the university policy, and our representation is very strong. John and I are working with the Purdue Senate Leadership about shared governance where we might get a little more. Intercampus Faculty Council (IFC) is also working to be a part of that.

Finally, I hope everyone has a good week and has a good break.

5. Report of the Presiding Officer – A. Downs:

A. Downs: Thank you very much speaker. My only report is good luck this week.

6. Committee reports requiring action:

a. Indiana University Committee on Institutional Affairs (Senate Reference No. 15-14) – J. Badia:

The slate was approved via voice vote. (see Senate Reference No. 15-15 for results).

b. Educational Policy Committee (Senate Document SD 15-7) – J. Leatherman:

J. Leatherman moved to approve Senate Document SD 15-7 (Proposed change to Academic Regulations regarding GPA terms).

Motion to approve passed on a voice vote.

c. Educational Policy Committee (Senate Document SD 15-8) – J. Leatherman:

J. Leatherman moved to approve Senate Document SD 15-8 (Process to approve new courses and programs at IPFW).

Motion to approve passed on a voice vote.

d. Educational Policy Committee (Senate Document SD 15-9) – J. Leatherman:

J. Leatherman moved to approve Senate Document SD 15-9 (Proposed change to Academic Regulations for GPA calculations for Graduation with Distinction and with Highest Distinction).

Motion to approve passed on a voice vote.

7. New business:

a. University Resources Policy Committee (Senate Document SD 15-10) – S. Bischoff:
S. Bischoff moved to approve Senate Document SD 15-10 (Approval of replacement member of the University Resources Policy Committee). Seconded.

Motion to approve passed on a voice vote.

b. Faculty Affairs Committee (Senate Document SD 15-11) – C. Gurgur:

C. Gurgur moved to approve Senate Document SD 15-11 (Approval of replacement member of the Faculty Affairs Committee). Seconded.

Motion to approve passed on a voice vote.

8. Committee reports “for information only”:

9. The general good and welfare of the University:

M. Wolf: I would just like to point out that the Model UN team did a tremendous job in American National Model UN including, membership on the Security Council, and two of the three Security Council resolutions that were passed were offered by IPFW students. In the past when we have had people on the Security Council; two years ago the one person that was on is now at the Washington think-tank the New American Foundation, and the other one is an International Model UN coordinator for schools, so it matters. It is a great extracurricular activity. Dr. Toole has done a tremendous job with these students over the years.

S. LaVere: I want to remind everyone that the Library is under renovation. As head of the Library Subcommittee, I would like to suggest that everyone dig through their emails and find the latest issue of Helmke highlights, because there is language to put on your syllabus for classes for how to deal with the Library being under renovation next semester. If you have any questions about the renovation or library services, please contact Cheryl Truesdell, she will be happy to talk to you.

10. The meeting adjourned at 12:17 p.m.

Sarah Mettert
Secretary of the Faculty
MEMORANDUM

TO: Indiana University Faculty

FROM: Janet Badia, Chair
Indiana University Committee on Institutional Affairs

DATE: 14 December 2015

SUBJ: Results of the Faculty Board of Review Election

The following faculty members were elected to serve on the Indiana University Faculty Board of Review by Indiana University Senators. Their terms are from 1 February 2016 to 31 January 2017.

Sheena Choi
M. Gail Hickey
Augusto De Venanzi
MEMORANDUM

TO: Fort Wayne Senate
FROM: Jane Leatherman, Chair
       Educational Policy Committee
DATE: October 26, 2015
SUBJECT: Proposed change to Academic Regulations regarding GPA terms

WHEREAS, Sections 2.3.2: 2.4: 10.2.3: 10.4: 10.4.1 and 10.4.2 of the Academic Regulations use of the term ‘graduation GPA’ as opposed to the term ‘cumulative GPA’

WHEREAS, graduation GPA is no longer calculated and the cumulative GPA is calculated and

WHEREAS, a consistent set of academic regulation terms and bulletin terms are desirable;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate approve the following changes in the Academic Regulations. Language to be added is shown in boldface and language to be removed is shown in strikeout.

2. Application

2.3.2 Courses not applicable to the program to which the student is transferring. The grade in any course which can satisfy a degree requirement, other than a free elective, may not be removed from the graduation-cumulative GPA.

2.4 Application of credit for students who re-enter IPFW. At the time a student is accepted for campus transfer, re-entry, or readmission after not having attended IPFW or any other campus of Indiana University or Purdue University for five or more calendar years, the IPFW academic unit by which the student is accepted may report to the Registrar each cumulative GPA-applicable course on the student's academic record in which the grade earned cannot be counted toward graduation or degree credits because it is considered to be of less than passing quality. As recommended by the student's academic unit, the Registrar will exclude grades earned in these courses from the calculation of the student's graduation-cumulative GPA. However, both these courses and the grades earned therein will remain on the student's academic record. This option can be employed only once per student, and an appropriate notation of this transaction shall be made on the student's academic record.
10. Degrees

10.2.3 Establishment of a **graduation cumulative** GPA of 2.00 or better

10.4 Graduation with distinction. A candidate for the bachelor's degree with distinction must have a minimum of 65 resident credits included in the computation of the **graduation cumulative** GPA. A candidate for an associate degree with distinction must have a minimum of 35 resident credits included in the computation of the **graduation cumulative** GPA. The required cumulative GPA, calculated each spring as outlined below, shall also apply to degrees for the following summer sessions and fall semester.

10.4.1 In each school or division, the minimum **graduation cumulative** GPA for graduation with distinction from a bachelor's-degree program shall be at least 3.50, but never less than the ninetieth percentile of the **graduation cumulative** GPA of the school or division's graduates.

10.4.2: In each school or division, the minimum **graduation cumulative** GPA for graduation with highest distinction from a bachelor's-degree program shall be at least 3.80, but never less than the ninety-seventh percentile of the **graduation cumulative** GPA of the school or division's graduates.
TO: Fort Wayne Senate

FROM: Jane Leatherman, Chair
       Educational Policy Committee

DATE: Nov. 16, 2015

RE: Process to approve new courses and programs at IPFW

WHEREAS, The approval process for new courses and new undergraduate and graduate programs is overseen and administered by the Office of Academic Affairs (OAA) and administrative entities at Indiana University and Purdue University; and

WHEREAS, Historically these approval processes have had a tendency to be cumbersome, inefficient, and poorly understood by faculty and administrators; and

WHEREAS, the OAA and the Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Programs have worked to make these processes more streamlined and expedited, and to increase the transparency of these processes; and

WHEREAS, Information on the updated processes can be found on the OAA website (currently, http://www.ipfw.edu/offices/oaa/programs/curriculumdev.html);

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Educational Policy Committee (EPC) endorses the efforts undertaken by OAA and the Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Programs to improve the new course and new program approval processes; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That EPC encourages OAA to notify EPC if and when changes are made to these processes in the future.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Fort Wayne Senate
FROM: Jane Leatherman, Chair
     Educational Policy Committee
DATE: November 20, 2015
SUBJECT: Proposed change to Academic Regulations for GPA calculations for
     Graduation with Distinction and with Highest Distinction

WHEREAS, Sections 10.4.1 and 10.4.2 of the Academic Regulations use the calculation for
     determination of distinction and highest distinction as a minimum GPA and percentile of graduates
     in each college,

WHEREAS, Colleges have requested that this calculation needs to be clear and equitable to all
     students and across all colleges, and,

WHEREAS, the 10 year history (see attachment) of the GPA for distinction and highest
     distinction is equated to 3.80 for distinction and 3.95 for highest distinction;

BE IT RESOLVED, that the Senate approve the following changes in the Academic
     Regulations. Language to be added is shown in boldface and language to be removed is
     shown in strikeout.

10.4.1: In each college, school or division, the minimum graduation cumulative GPA for
     graduation with distinction from an associate or bachelor's-degree program shall be at least 3.50
     3.80-3.94, but never less than the ninetieth percentile of the graduation GPA of the school or
     division's graduates.

10.4.2: In each college, school or division, the minimum graduation cumulative GPA for
     graduation with highest distinction from an associate or bachelor's-degree program shall be at
     least 3.80 3.95-4.00, but never less than the ninety-seventh percentile of the graduation GPA of
     the school or division's graduates.
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### Other Data

- **Average across colleges**: varies across different categories.
- **GS Before May 2013**: 3.5
- **ALL Labor Studies**: 3.5
- **PEA**: 3.716
- **OLS**: 3.5

### Notes

- **IU Rules Apply**: 3.5
- **Before May 2013**: 3.5
- **ALL Labor Studies**: 3.5
MEMORANDUM

TO: Fort Wayne Senate Executive Committee

FROM: Shannon Bischoff, Chair
       University Resources Policy Committee

DATE: 4 December, 2015

SUBJ: Approval of replacement member of the University Resources Policy Committee

WHEREAS, The Bylaws of the Senate provide (5.1.2.) that “Senate Committees . . . shall have the power to fill committee vacancies for the remainder of an academic year, subject to Senate approval at its next regular meeting”; and

WHEREAS, There are three vacancies on the University Resources Policy Committee; and

WHEREAS, The University Resources Policy Committee voted on 4 November, 2015 to appoint Dr. Michael Wolf of the Department of Political Science in the College of Arts and Sciences to serve as a replacement member for the 2015-2016 academic year;

BE IT RESOLVED, That the University Resources Policy Committee requests the Executive Committee to forward these appointments to the Senate for approval.
MEMORANDUM

TO: Fort Wayne Senate Executive Committee

FROM: Cigdem Z. Gurgur, Chair
       Faculty Affairs Committee

DATE: December 10, 2015

SUBJ: Approval of Replacement Member of the Faculty Affairs Committee

WHEREAS, The Bylaws of the Senate provide (5.1.2.) that “… Senate Committees … shall have the power to fill Committee vacancies for the remainder of an academic year, subject to Senate approval at its next regular meeting”; and

WHEREAS, There is one vacancy on the Faculty Affairs Committee due to a resignation; and

WHEREAS, The Faculty Affairs Committee has voted to appoint Prof. Audrey Ushenko, College of Visual and Performing Arts, as the replacement member for the remainder of the 2015-16 academic year; and

BE IT RESOLVED, That the Senate Faculty Affairs Committee requests the Executive Committee to forward this appointment to the Senate for approval.