

Faculty Governance Meeting Minutes: Dec. 10, 2014

LC 100, 1:00 – 3:00

- I. Call to Order: Meeting called to order at 1:04
- II. Report of the President
- III. Report of the Provost
- IV. Approval of the minutes: Minutes of the 11/17 meeting approved. Minutes of the 10/24 meeting deferred for greater detail.
- V. Old Business

1. F14, 12/10/14.1

Information Management Competency (voice vote)

All students will develop competency in information management as a part of completing their general education requirements. At New Paltz., this information management competency will be introduced in the 2nd course in the two composition course sequences, Comp. 2.

Motion approved by voice vote.

2. F14, 12/10/14.2 Critical Thinking Competency

All students will develop competency in critical thinking as a part of completing their general education requirements. *All GE courses will foster Critical Thinking.*

Motion approved by voice vote.

3. F14, 12/10/14.3 Diversity Requirement

Consistent with our SUNY New Paltz mission statement and our history, all students are *required* to complete at least one course that examines the perspectives of *traditionally underrepresented groups within the United States* as a part of their graduation requirements. (written vote)

Motion passed: 143 approved, 12 opposed, and one abstention.

VI. New Business

A. Bylaw changes proposed by the Organization Committee.

1. F14 12/10/14.3 Membership Changes to Committees

a. Curriculum Committee Proposal. (To clarify p. 37, note 8 related to Curriculum committee ex-officio membership.)

b. Academic Senate Membership Proposal. To clarify p. 36, note 4 for the ex-officio members of the Academic Senate

All bylaw membership changes passed by voice vote.

2. F14 12/10/14.4 Suspending DSI Committee. Where the DSI committee is mentioned in the bylaws, this phrase or its equivalent will be added.

The Committee on Salary Increase has been suspended until such time as on-base discretionary salary increases are reinstated.

Suspending the DSI committee passed by voice vote.

3. F14 12/10/14.5 Correcting the Name of the Reappointment, Tenure and Promotion Committee.

4. Additional change, 1st reading. Add Ex-officio (non voting) member to the Academic Affairs Committee: The Dean of Advising, or a member of that office designated by the dean .

Correcting the name of the Reappointment, Tenure, and Promotion committee passed by voice vote.

VI. Point of orders raised:

1. Reason for depersonalizing motions instead of using initiator's last name.
2. Rationale for voting on GE content categories before considering specifics categories such as foreign languages and natural science.

VIII. Motion to Adjourn at 3:00PM