Agenda, University Senate

May 18th 2011

3:30 PM, Ballroom North, Westside Campus Center

2011-2012 Senate

I. Election of Officers
   A. President
   B. Vice President
   C. Secretary
   D. Archivist

II. Senate Meeting Date in March 2012
   A. Please note that March 21st 2012 (3rd Wednesday in March) falls during Spring Break.
      Optional Dates: March 14th or March 28th 2012.

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III. Adjournment

2010-2011 Senate

I. Minutes
   A. April 2011

II. Announcements
   A. Update on the Budgetary Issues – President Schmotter and/or Dr Paul Reis, VP of Finance and Administration
   B. Update on new Provost, Dr Jane Gates – President Schmotter
   C. Update and Feedback on the Use of Electronic Ballots this Spring – Lorraine Capobianco, CIO
   D. Update on Media Messages – Paul Steinmetz, Director of University Relations
   E. Other
III. Unfinished Business
   A. Motion on Concerns Regarding Class Size

   Whereas increasing class sizes:

   1. is contrary to the WCSU strategic plan
   2. and is contrary to the mission of WCSU
   3. and can negatively affect student success
   4. and can negatively affect student retention
   5. and can negatively affect student perception of effectiveness of instructors,

   We, the faculty at Western Connecticut State University, are opposed to increasing class size over and above Spring 2011 numbers.

   However, we recognize the financial problems the State of Connecticut and our University are dealing with, and, in the interest of cooperation and in an attempt to help solve the current financial dilemma of the University, we are willing to increase the size of some classes, as a temporary measure, for the 2011-2012 academic year.

   B. Other

IV. New Business
   A. Reports
      1. P&T Committee Annual Report
      2. Research & Development Committee Annual Report
      3. Physical Working Conditions Committee Annual Report
      4. CUCAS Committee Annual Report
      5. Media Library Services Policy Committee Annual Report

   B. Other

V. Adjournment

* Supporting Attachments Included in mailing