I. Minutes

A. November 18, 2015*
B. December 9, 2015*

II. Announcements

A. Senate President’s Report
B. WCSU Representative to the BOR FAC – Dr. Patty O’Neill
C. Strategic Planning Update – Dr. Ann Atkinson
D. Ad Hoc Committee on Academic Deadlines Update – Keith Gauvin, Registrar
E. Spring Enrollment – Dr. Margaret Murray
F. Other

III. Unfinished Business

A. Policy on E-Devices in the Classroom* – Dr. Matt Dabros
   a. RESOLVED THAT THE UNIVERSITY SENATE APPROVE THE FOLLOWING POLICY ON E-DEVICES IN THE CLASSROOM:
   b. “It is each instructor’s responsibility to establish a policy on the acceptable use of e-devices for his or her courses and communicate that policy to students on the written syllabus at the beginning of each semester. Instructors should be aware that Federal and/or state law may require the use of e-devices in the classroom as an approved accommodation through AccessAbility Services.”
B. Revised DEC Forms* – Dr. Missy Alexander
   a. RESOLVED THAT THE UNIVERSITY SENATE APPROVE THE REVISIONS TO THE DEC FORMS AS PROPOSED BY THE SENATE AD HOC COMMITTEE ON THE DEPARTMENT EVALUATION COMMITTEE FORMS FOR ALL FACULTY
C. Recommendations from the Ad Hoc Committee to Review the Faculty Handbook* – Dr. Katie Lever
D. Other

IV. New Business

A. Faculty Resolution on BOR Contract Proposals* – Dr. Patty O’Neill
   a. RESOLVED THAT THE UNIVERSITY SENATE ENDORSE THE FACULTY STATEMENT ON CONTRACT PROPOSALS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION
B. Revisions to the Professional Writing Major* – Dr. Patrick Ryan
SENATE

a. RESOLVED THAT THE UNIVERSITY SENATE APPROVE THE REVISIONS TO THE PROFESSIONAL WRITING MAJOR PROPOSED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF WRITING, LINGUISTICS, AND CREATIVE PROCESS

C. Interpersonal Violence Statement on Course Syllabi* – Dr. Jessi Eckstein
   a. RESOLVED THAT THE UNIVERSITY SENATE REQUIRE THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT BE IN ALL COURSE SYLLABI:
      b. “Western Connecticut State University (WCSU) asserts that all students have the right to be free from interpersonal violence such as stalking, intimate partner violence, and sexual harassment or assault. To treat all violence with the utmost seriousness, all non-confidential WCSU employees (including faculty) are required to submit an Anonymous Report Form when aware of any interpersonal violence; although student information will remain secure, it may be shared with the appropriate WCSU officials. Confidential, on-campus locations not required to report include the Counseling Center, Women’s Center, and Health Services. More information is available at www.wcsu.edu/stuaffairs/CaRT.asp.”

D. Other

V. Continuing Business – Academic Advisement and Registration

A. Recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on Academic Advisement and Registration – Dr. Marcy May
   a. Draft Revised Bylaws for a Committee on Academic Advisement and Registration* (further discussion and vote scheduled for Dec 9 Senate meeting)
   b. Recommendation #2 – Department Statement of Advising
   c. Additional Recommendations

VI. Adjournment

* Supporting attachments included in email