I. Minutes

A. November 18, 2015
   a. Approved as written
B. December 9, 2015
   a. Approved as amended

II. Announcements

A. Senate President’s Report
   a. So far this semester all Senate resolutions sent to President Clark have been approved by him.
B. WCSU Representative to the BOR FAC – Dr. Patty O’Neill
C. Strategic Planning Update – Dr. Ann Atkinson
   a. The Steering Committee has been soliciting proposed strategic goals from faculty, staff, and students and will further develop these in spring 2016.
D. Ad Hoc Committee on Academic Deadlines Update – Keith Gauvin, Registrar
   a. Committee has met and will examine the effects of the new withdrawal deadline w/o academic penalty on DFWs in fall 2015 before considering changes for spring 2016. At the present time the spring deadline will remain.
E. Spring Enrollment – Jay Murray, Interim Associate VP, Enrollment Management
   a. About 78% of students eligible to enroll in spring 2016 have done so. All are encouraged to contact students to facilitate re-enrollment.

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 (Philbrick)
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.” Policy change to be voted on in January 2016.

B. Revised DEC Forms – Dr. Missy Alexander

C. Recommendations from the Ad Hoc Committee to Review the Faculty Handbook – Dr. Katie Lever
   a. Create a standing committee to update handbook annually
   b. All governing committee by-laws should be included
   c. Included web links to explanatory material
   d. Make “voice” language consistent
   e. Add a glossary of terms
      i. Will return next semester to discuss further after consultation with Provost.

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 (O’Brien) Approved.

B. Revisions to the Professional Writing Major – Dr. Patrick Ryan

V. Continuing Business – Academic Advisement and Registration

A. Recommendations of the Ad Hoc Committee on Academic Advisement and Registration – Dr. Marcy May
   a. Motion: RESOLVED THAT THE SENATE RECOMMENDS A STATEMENT OF ADVISEMENT WILL BE POSTED ON EACH DEPARTMENTAL WEBSITE. (Schlicht)
i. Motion: Resolved that the Senate recommends that student guidelines for academic advising be posted on each departmental website. (Hawkins) Approved
   1. Motion: RESOLVED THAT THE SENATE RECOMMENDS THAT STUDENT GUIDELINES FOR ACADEMIC ADVISING BE POSTED ON EACH DEPARTMENTAL/SCHOOL WEBSITE. (Martin) Defeated

b. Motion: RESOLVED THAT THE SENATE: 1) RECOMMENDS THAT WCSU ADOPT A DEVELOPMENTAL MODEL OF ADVISING. 2) WE, THE SENATE, HOLD A SPECIAL ELECTION TO FORM THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT AND REGISTRATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. 3) WE, THE SENATE, REFER ALL FURTHER DISCUSSION TO SAID COMMITTEE, WHICH SHALL BE A STANDING COMMITTEE. (Rosenthal)
   i. RESOLVED THAT THE SENATE: 1) RECOMMENDS THAT WCSU ADOPT A DEVELOPMENTAL MODEL OF ADVISING, TO BE CREATED BY THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT AND REGISTRATION. 2) WE, THE SENATE, HOLD A SPECIAL ELECTION TO FORM THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT AND REGISTRATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. 3) WE, THE SENATE, REFER ALL FURTHER DISCUSSION TO SAID COMMITTEE, WHICH SHALL BE A STANDING COMMITTEE. (Philbrick) Approved (This motion replaces resolution R-15-12-01)
   1. Motion to postpone until January 20, 2016. (Martin) Defeated

VI. Adjournment

Adjourned at 5:31 p.m.

Submitted,
Jeff Schlicht
RESOLUTION R-15-12-04:
RESOLVED THAT THE UNIVERSITY SENATE ENDORSE THE FACULTY STATEMENT ON CONTRACT PROPOSALS OF THE BOARD OF REGENTS FOR HIGHER EDUCATION
APPROVED

RESOLUTION R-15-12-05:
RESOLVED THAT THE SENATE: 1) RECOMMENDS THAT WCSU ADOPT A DEVELOPMENTAL MODEL OF ADVISING, TO BE CREATED BY THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT AND REGISTRATION. 2) WE, THE SENATE, HOLD A SPECIAL ELECTION TO FORM THE COMMITTEE ON ACADEMIC ADVISEMENT AND REGISTRATION AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. 3) WE, THE SENATE, REFER ALL FURTHER DISCUSSION TO SAID COMMITTEE, WHICH SHALL BE A STANDING COMMITTEE.
APPROVED (This motion replaces resolution R-15-12-01)