

**REGULAR MEETING OF THE UNIVERSITY FACULTY
SENATE**

DECEMBER 3, 2007 – 104 GORE HALL

November 26, 2007

TO: Senators and Executives

FROM: Jeffrey Jordan, Vice President
University Faculty Senate

SUBJECT: Regular Faculty Senate Meeting December 3, 2007

In accordance with Section IV, paragraph 6 of the Constitution, the regular meeting of the University Faculty Senate will be held on Monday, December 3, 2007 at 4:00 p.m. in room 104 Gore Hall.

I certify that hard copies of the approval page for each undergraduate and graduate studies academic item on the agenda are filed in the Faculty Senate Office with the appropriate signatures of approval up through the Chair of the Faculty Senate Coordinating Committee on Education. The Agenda will be as follows:

AGENDA

I. Adoption of the Agenda

II. Approval of the Minutes: [November 5, 2007](#)

III. Remarks: Provost Dan Rich

IV. Announcements: Senate President Alan Fox

V. Items For Information:

a. Revision of School of Nursing Graduate Policy ([checklist attachment](#))

b. Request to add a specialization in Disability Services Leadership and Management ([attachment](#)) ([attachment1](#)) ([attachment2](#))

VI. Consent Agenda

1. Announcements for Challenge:

- a. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Charles Mason, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Amy Johnson, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Alan Fox, Chair) for the revision of Clinical Nurse Specialist Concentration for MS in Nursing ([checklist attachment](#)) ([policy](#))

2. Resolutions:

- a. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Charles Mason, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Amy Johnson, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Alan Fox, Chair) for the request to add a new Master of Science in Bioresources Engineering ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#)) ([attachment](#))

Whereas, in 2001, the Bioresources Engineering Department underwent an academic program review. In preparing the self study report there was discussion at several department meetings on graduate education. The academic program review team cited the lack of a graduate program as one of the weaknesses of the Department, and

Whereas, several of the faculty members have joint appointments in the College of Engineering and the Department participates in the interdisciplinary Operations Research graduate program, however, this approach has not been entirely successful. In particular it has been difficult for new faculty to utilize and advise graduate students in their research under the current arrangements, and

Whereas, it was decided that the Department needed to create opportunities for the new faculty members that have been hired since 2001 to advise and utilize graduate students in their research. The only

satisfactory way to do this is to develop an MS program in Bioresources Engineering. A new water resources engineering faculty member has been hired and there will be three additional faculty members retiring within the next four to seven years. The MS program will help in recruiting new faculty, be it therefore

Resolved, that the Faculty Senate recommends that this degree be established in the Department of Bioresources Engineering provisionally for five years.

- b. Recommendation from the Committee on Graduate Studies (Charles Mason, Chair) with the concurrence of the Coordinating Committee on Education (Amy Johnson, Chair) and the Executive Committee (Alan Fox, Chair) for the request to grant permanent approval of the Master of Science in Information Systems and Technology Management from the College of Business and Economics ([attachment 1](#)) ([attachment 2](#))

Whereas, on March 3, 2002 the Master of Science in Information Systems and Technology Management was granted provisional status, and

Whereas, there were no significant concerns expressed in the self study and by the individual reviewers, and

Whereas, there are currently 30 students in various stages of completing the MS plus another 10 students who are working on dual degrees, and,

Whereas, students are obtaining jobs in public accounting firms, and with consulting firms in management and administrative positions, and

Whereas, resources are not a problem as they have gained 4 tenure-track faculty members during this time which has put the program in excellent shape to handle the MS in IS&TM, be it therefore

Resolved, that the Faculty Senate recommends that the Master of Science in Information Systems and Technology Management be granted permanent status.

VI Regular Agenda

1. Old Business: None

2. New Business: Confirmation of Appointments:

- a.** Pat Barber, member of the Faculty Senate Committee on Retired, Retiring and Emeriti Faculty
- b.** James Swasey, member of the Faculty Senate Committee on Retired, Retiring and Emeriti Faculty
- c.** Robert Taggart, chair of the Faculty Senate Committee on Retired, Retiring and Emeriti Faculty

VII. Introduction of New Business

Such items as may come before the Senate. (No motion introduced under new business, except a motion to refer to committee, shall be acted upon until the next meeting of the Senate.)

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