

Faculty Senate Minutes
April 4, 2008
12:00-1:30
Room 26

Members Present	Members Absent	Other
R. Agajeenian Y. Amirkhanyan M. Arshakyan V. Bournazian M. Brown L. Galajyan A. Hajian G. Khachatryan T. Khorozyan N. Lejter J. Lyman V. Petrosyan	S. Knyazyan	Mary Lackie

* Indicates excused absence

AGENDA

1. Quorum Call
2. Adopt Past Meeting Minutes
3. Approval of Agenda
4. Executive Committee Report
5. Ethics & Grievance Committee Report
6. Committee on Extension Programs Report
7. Curriculum Committee Report
 - a. Legal English Course
 - b. Law and Justice in Popular Culture
 - c. Amendment to Law Admissions PPM: LSAT as the entrance exam

MINUTES

1) Quorum Call

Quorum present

1) Adopt Past Meeting Minutes

A motion was made by Vahan Bournazian to adopt the minutes of the March 7, 2008 Faculty Senate meeting and seconded by Robert Agajeenian; the minutes were adopted.

2) Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Robert Agajeenian to approve the agenda and seconded by Yelena Amirkhanyan; the agenda was approved by consensus.

3) Executive Committee Report

Chairperson Varduhi Petrosyan reported that the Executive Committee had met once to set the agenda and she had contacted the other committee chairs regarding their work on pending reports.

4) Ethics & Grievance Committee Report

Committee chairperson Yelena Amirkhanyan reported that the committee had met to work on the grievance procedure regulation and had sent their draft to the AUA legal council Sargis Knyazyan. They planned to have one more meeting to address his comments and then to submit the document to the Faculty Senate.

5) Committee on Extension Programs Report

Committee chair Aram Hajian reported that they had met once to familiarize new members with their charge and should have a report ready for the April Faculty Senate meeting. He asked whether there should be a representative of the Extension Program on the committee. FS vice-chair Vahan Bournazian clarified that the Dean or a designee should serve as an ex-officio member of the committee.

6) Curriculum Committee Report

Vahan Bournazian outlined the following proposals submitted by the Department of Law to the Curriculum Committee

- a. Legal English Course
- b. Law and Justice in Popular Culture
- c. Amendment to Law Admissions PPM: LSAT as the entrance exam
(A preparation course is to be offered free of charge to 2009 applicants in September 2008; the LSAT will be offered in October and December 2008.)

Varduhi noted that there had been an electronic discussion of the proposals by the Curriculum Committee and that they had been adopted with certain amendments. As the proposals did not entail any change in degree requirements, there was no need for a formal vote of approval by the Faculty Senate.

On a related note, Nelly Lejter asked whether non-matriculated students were eligible to take certificate courses. In reply, it was explained that students who were not enrolled in a degree program may take up to 20% of their eventual course credits as non-matriculated students. Aram Hajian also noted that the departments may offer courses intended for non-students administered through the Extension Program.

A motion to adjourn was made by Vahan Bournazian and seconded by Robert Agajeenian. The meeting was adjourned at 12:18.

Respectfully submitted by Melissa Brown.