

**Senate Steering Committee  
Minutes  
February 4, 2010  
3:00-5:00 P.M.  
Tigert 226**

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Attendees:  
Mary Ann Ferguson  
Frank Bova  
David Quillen  
Scott Nygren  
Ellis Greiner  
Barbara Wingo  
Wolfgang Sigmund  
Bernard Mair  
Tracy Rambo  
Jane Brockmann  
Joe Glover  
Amelia Bell

The meeting was called to order at 3:01 PM

The minutes of the January meeting were approved.

**Reports:**

**Provost's Report**

**Joe Glover**, Provost

Joe Glover provided a report on the trip to Saudi Arabia and how the University can create a mutually beneficial relationship with Saudi Arabian schools, students and academics.

**Information Items:**

**Elimination of the BA in American Studies**

**Bernard Mair**, UCC Chair

Bernard Mair presented this item. It will be an information item at the February Senate meeting.

**Procedures for college and department constitutions/by-laws and regulations**

**Jim Seale**, Constitution Committee chair

Jim Seale presented these items. They will be information items at the February Senate meeting.

**Cultural Plaza Presentation**

**Rebecca Nagy**, Harn Museum Director

There will be a 15 minute presentation (5 minutes from each of the directors) on how faculty can interact with the cultural plaza in the classroom.

## **Council Reports:**

### **Budget Council**

**David Quillen, Chair**

The council discussed interdisciplinary education and RCM.

### **Infrastructure Council**

**Jane Brockmann, Chair**

The council has not met yet this month but will meet with Dave O'Brien to discuss PPD maintenance and RCM.

### **Research and Scholarship Council**

**Scott Nygren, Chair**

The council set their agenda for the semester and will discuss assignment and effort reporting and how faculty can provide feedback in the RCM process. They will also discuss training grants and would like to provide an update on the ombuds position status.

### **Welfare Council**

**Tony Offerle, Chair**

The council will look into the issue of online evaluations and how to encourage students to complete online evaluations. Joe Glover suggested that the council talk to representatives from the College of Pharmacy and Business about this process.

### **Academic Policy Council**

**Tracy Rambo, Co-Chair**

The APC will review a request to create a new department from the College of Dentistry and at possible RCM implications to academics.

## **Action Items:**

Approval of the February Senate Agenda

The directed discussion topic will be on Faculty as Facilitators for Student Well-being Wayne Griffin

The meeting adjourned at 4:47 PM