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Exhibit A: Approved 3/11/13

LGBT Advocacy Council

- Motions: -Transition from BB to Canvas
- ATC Membership expanded

**FACULTY SENATE  
Minutes of February 25, 2013**

**Call to Order.** Johann Neem, *Senate Vice President and Parliamentarian*, called Senators to order at 4:08 pm. Neem welcomed twenty-four (24) Senators and six (6) others for a total of thirty (30). (See Roster).

**Minutes.** Senators accepted the Senate minutes of February 11, 2013 as written.

**Announcements:**

- *Vice President Neem:* Steve Garfinkle and Dan Boxberger are in Olympia with other Western students and representatives as part of WWU Advocates.
- *At Large Representative Jim Graham:* Called on senators to inform constituents about the meetings currently underway regarding electronic teaching evaluations. Graham is the point person for contact with concerns, questions, and suggestions. If a decision can be reached Spring quarter, implementation may be as early as Fall 2013.
- *President Shepard:* If there are consequences to financial aid, Pell grants, or work-study as a result of the looming sequestration, the University is prepared to call on its reserves to assist affected students entering Western in Fall 2013. This assistance is only for academic year 2013/14.
- *Provost Riordan:*
  - Special thanks for faculty’s extraordinary efforts to ensure that students have access to classes;
  - Decision packages, including Energy, have been well-received in Olympia;
  - Alumni validated their positive experiences at Western at the recent CFPA masked ball;
  - The Nursing Program was launched at a recent reception Riordan noted that the design and adoption of the Nursing Program was an exemplary case of shared governance.
  - The German program, recognized as a German Center of Excellence by the Association of Teachers of German, will be presented to the Board of Trustees on Friday 4/12 at 8 am as part of a regular “notable awards” presentation.

**Presentations: LGBT Advocacy Council, Research on Campus Climate, & Safe Zones.**

- o Raine Dozier, *Human Services*; Joanne DeMark, *Leadership*; and Marli Williams, *Student Outreach*, explained the work of the LGBT Advocacy Council (<http://www.wwu.edu/lgbtac/>) which oversees four committees concerned with attracting and retaining LGBTQ faculty, staff and students, providing educational training including Safe Zone, and integrating LGBT issues into curriculum and pedagogy. Dozier reviewed examples from her research which can be found on the diversity link at President Shepard’s homepage (<http://www.wwu.edu/president/diversity.shtml>).
- o Dozier’s work suggests that departmental experiences highly influence faculty satisfaction, that transparency in processes is key and policy changes help not only LGBT individuals but also signal the institution’s stance which can create a more inclusive climate. Information on LGBTQ Safe Zone allies training can be found at <http://www.wwu.edu/safezone/workshop.shtml>.
- o Reference was made during the presentation to the following: [Beyond the Gender Binary: Yee Won Chong at TEDxRainier](#)

**MINUTES FROM SENATE STANDING COMMITTEES (Exhibit B)**

Committee	Date	Topic
Academic Coordinating Commission	2/5/2013	Ad Hoc Calendar Committee created – <i>MOTION</i>
University Planning & Resources Council	1/30/2013	<i>Enrollment Trends:</i> Ming Zhang, Sharon Schmitz
Academic Technology Committee	2/13/2013	Plan of Transition from BB to Canvas – <i>MOTION</i>
Academic Technology Committee	1/30/2013	Canvas pilot recommended – <i>MOTION</i>

**APPOINTMENTS AND ELECTIONS** – Jackie Caplan-Auerbach, Officer

Vacancies: 1 CBE representative to serve on ATC

**MOTIONS: ATC Plan of Transition from BB to Canvas**

Senators accepted the Minutes from the ATC February 13, 2013 meeting, which included the following **Motion**: **“Full access to Blackboard to be maintained through the end of summer quarter (2013). Beginning fall quarter (2013), the default Learning Management System (LMS) will be Canvas; afterwards, limited access to BB will be maintained for a full year through an archive in order to aid the transition to Canvas. Faculty are encouraged to switch to canvas immediately.”**

**Revision to Faculty Handbook, Constitution BL 7.6.1, ATC Membership**

Senators conducted a second vote and approved an addition to the membership of the Academic Technology committee as follows: **“k. One representative from Extended Education (non-voting)”**.

*Senators adjourned at 5:25 pm, and moved to a faculty caucus which concluded at 5:40 pm.*

Minutes submitted by Rose Marie Norton-Nader, Recorder, 2/25/2013

Kathleen Saunders, Secretary 2012-2013

**FACULTY SENATE – ROSTER 2012-2013**

Senators whose terms end in 2013						
1	David Hirsch	Geology	P	A		
2	Jackie Caplan-Auerbach <i>Apps&amp;Elects</i>	Geology	P	A		Ex Officio
3	Andreas Reimann, <i>SEN to ACC</i>	Physics/Astron	--	A	1	Bruce Shepard, <i>University President</i> P
4	Stephanie Treneer	Mathematics	P	A	2	Catherine Riordan, <i>Provost</i> P
5	Jim Graham, <i>Exec At Lg</i>	Psychology	P	B		
6	Debra Salazar (for V.Hsueh)	Poli Sci	P	B		FLR, UFWW, ASVP, Recorder
7	Charles Sylvester	PEHR	P	B	1	Daniel Boxberger, <i>FacLegRep 2011-12. Exec</i> --
8	Cecile Hanania	M&CL	P	C	2	Steve Garfinkle, <i>President, UFWW</i> --
9	Dennis Whitcomb (for HH)	Philosophy	P	C	3	Victor Cells, <i>ASVP-Academics</i> --
10	Sean Murphy	Liberal Studies	P	C	4	Rose Marie Norton-Nader, <i>Recorder</i> P
11	Johann Neem, <i>VPres&amp;Parl: UPRC</i>	History	P	C		
12	Deb Currier	Theater&Dance	P	D		Guests
13	David Gilbertson, <i>SEN to ACC</i>	Accounting	P	E	1	John Lawson, <i>VProvost, Infor Tech and CIO</i> P
14	Babafemi Akinrinade	Fairhaven	P	F	2	Derek Yip-Hoi, <i>Academic Technology Cte</i> P
15	Kate Wayne	Elementary Ed	--	H	3	Raine Dozier, <i>Human Services, LGBT leader</i> P
					4	Joanne DeMark, <i>Leadership Spec, LGBT ch</i> P
					5	Marli Williams, <i>Student Outreach, LGBT</i> P
<b>Senators whose terms end in 2014</b>						
16	Craig L Moyer, <i>SEN to ATC</i>	Biology	P	A		
17	Paul (Clint) Spiegel	Chemistry	--	A		
18	Kathleen Saunders, <i>Exec Secty</i>	Anthropology	P	B		
19	Sandra Alfers	M&CL	--	C		
20	Sheila Webb	Journalism	--	C		
21	Michiko Yusa	M&CL	P	C		
22	Milica Jovanovic	Music	P	D		
23	Elsi Vassdal-Ellis	Design	--	D		
24	Steve Henson	Economics	--	E		
25	Jason Kanov	Management	P	E		Senators Present 22
26	David Wallin	Huxley	P	G		Ex Officio 2
27	Donald Larsen	Educ Admin	P	H		FLR, UFWW, ASVP, Recorder 1
28	Molly Ware	Secondary Ed	P	H		Guests 5
29	Rebecca Marrall	Libraries	P	I		
30	Karen Stout, <i>Senate President</i>	Comm	--	AttLg		TOTALS: February 25, 2013 30