

Minutes of the October 8, 2004 Rules Committee Meeting
Faculty Club, 8:15 AM

Present: Richard Bogartz, Christine King, Arthur Kinney, Robert Wilson, Brian O'Connor, Seshu Desu, Ernie May

1. Minutes of the September 24 meeting were approved
2. Faculty Senate agenda items were approved as follows:
 - A. Address by Senator Stanley Rosenberg (Questions and Discussion to follow)
 - B. Annual Report of the Graduate Council, Academic Year 2003-2004, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. **(Senate to receive report and if Grad Council wishes to pursue the issues, the Rules Committee will refer to appropriate senate council.)**
 - C. Annual Report of the Research Council of the Faculty Senate, Academic Year 2003-2004, University of Massachusetts Amherst, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. **(Senate to receive report)**
 - D. Annual Report of the Research Library Council, Academic Year 2003-2004, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. **(Senate to receive report)**
 - E. Special Report of the Academic Matters Council concerning Increasing the Number of Credits for a Course, as presented in Sen. Doc. No. with Motion No.

Discussion items:

- A. After discussion, the Rules Committee decided to place on the agenda of a future Faculty Senate meeting:
Special Report of the Rules Committee concerning The Establishment of an Ad Hoc Committee on the Student Information System (ACSIS)
- B. After discussion of Sen. Doc. No. 90-038A, "Procedures for Dealing with Charges of Misconduct in Scholarly Activities at the University of Massachusetts/Amherst," the Rules Committee will continue to work with the Research Council to develop proper language to be used for an amendment to the current policy, with the possibility of discussion at a future Faculty Senate meeting.
- C. The Rules Committee voted to authorize a special election in Senate District #5 (Electrical and Computer Engineering) for faculty senator positions.
- D. Rules Committee/Administration meeting topics for Monday, October 25, 2004:
The Rules Committee will have as an agenda item the leasing of textbooks

The Rules committee met with John Bracey regarding campus racial policies.

Submitted by Robert H. Wilson