

Minutes, Rules Committee Meeting Thursday Feb. 7, 2013, 6:30-7:55pm

Present: Marilyn Billings, Steven Brewer, Tony Butterfield, Ernie May, Brian O'Connor, MJ Peterson

- 1) Minutes of the Jan. 31, 2013 Rules Committee meeting were approved. Minutes for the Dec. 6, 2012 meeting are still in hiding.**
- 2) Agenda items for the Senate meeting on Feb. 21 were discussed and approved; namely, A) Panel Discussion with area legislators Stanley Rosenberg, Stephen Kulik and Ellen Story, moderated by Chancellor Subbaswamy; and three special reports from the Academic Matters Council concerning B) the Academic Calendar, C) Revision of the B.S. Pre-Veterinary Science Entrance Requirements, and D) Continuing Requirements for the Major in Kinesiology.**
- 3) Discussion items included:**
 - A) Program revisions: Revision in Sport Management assigned to the Academic Priorities, Graduate and Program and Budget Councils and the Minor in Nutrition assigned to the Academic Matters Council.**
 - B) Vision for Academic IT meeting on Feb. 25, with the Chancellor, Provost, Rules Committee and the University Computer and Electronic Communications Committee. (This meeting was subsequently postponed.) Discussion included recommendations from the Curriculum Innovation Committee reported by Marilyn Billings, as well as from Steven Brewer, a committee Co-Chair. There was a sense that the initial enthusiasm for the Integrative Experience had abated as funding expectations for IE were not always realized (resulting in larger class sizes), and other issues such as buildings opening and the CIO search were taking up the administration's attention.**
 - C) Data on Enrollment of Students from Massachusetts High Schools prepared by Marilyn Blaustein were acknowledged with appreciation. They would be discussed at the next meeting with the administration.**
 - D) A motion from the CPPC regarding the proposed location of the Champion Center (in green space immediately south of the Mullins Center) was discussed. It was agreed to put that topic on the agenda for the next RC/Administration meeting, on Feb. 25.**

Respectfully submitted,

Tony Butterfield