Rules Committee
UMass Amherst Faculty Senate – Minutes of November 16, 2012

Present: Joe Bartolomeo-Presiding, Ernie May, Marilyn Billings, MJ Peterson, Amilcar Shabazz, Rick Adrion and Brian O’Connor

Minutes of previous meetings:
October 12, 2012 – not yet available, so tabled.
October 26, 2012 – Approved as written.

Faculty Senate Agenda Items for December 11, 2012 Meeting:
A. Address by Provost James Staros on “affirmative Action Numbers” postponed until a spring meeting of the Faculty Senate
B-J. New Graduate courses; Special Reports on Changes to the Undergraduate Major in English; Changes to the Structure of Requirements in the Journalism Program; an Increase in Credits for the M.S. in Sport Management; the Establishment of a School of Computer Sciences*; Graduate Certificate in Higher Education Leadership; Master in Business Administration (MBA) with a Focus in Entrepreneurship and Nominations to Faculty Senate Councils and Committees – all of these items are ready to be presented at the Senate meeting on December 11, 2012.

*(It was mentioned by Rick Adrion that there is confusion in Item G. concerning the Establishment of a School of Computer Sciences or is it School of Computer Science? Rick will check.

Discussion Items:

A. Program Revisions: Afro-Am Studies – Change to Major Requirements: Senior Capstone Sequence – referred to Academic Matters Council
B. Trustee meeting on campus – December 12 – 9:00 a.m. in Massachusetts Room in Mullins Center – all are invited to attend – please let Ernie know if you will attend the lunch with the Intercampus Faculty Council on this day in CC 805-09 after the Trustee meeting.

Respectfully submitted: Your faithful scribe – Brian O’Connor