

**College of Arts and Sciences**  
**Faculty Assembly**  
**April 20, 2012**

**Registering Attendance:**

ANTHROPOLOGY:	J. Burnet, S. Parkhurst, J. Peteet, J. Zhao
BIOLOGY:	D. Schultz
CHEMISTRY:	R. Buchanan, A. Powe
CLASSICAL & MODERN LANG.:	W. Cunningham, M. Dalle, T. Dumstorf, B. Fonseca-Gruber, M. Groenewold, G. Hutcheson, D. LaLonde, A. Leidner, M. Makris, M. Medina, M. Pereira, M. Rodriguez, C. Sullivan, L. Wagner, W. Yoder
COMMUNICATION:	J. Ferré, A. Futrell
ENGLISH:	T. Byers, K. Chandler, J. Dietrich, P. Griner, K. Hadley, D. Hall, A. Jaffe, K. Kopelson, B. Leung, K. Petrosino, S. Ryan, H. Stanev, B. Willey, B. Williams, E. Wise
FINE ARTS:	Y.K. Chan, L. Gigante, J. Grubola, S. Jarosi
GEOGRAPHY/GEOSCIENCES:	A. Day, C. Hanchette, K. Mountain, M. Walker, H. Zhang
HISTORY:	A. Allen, B. Beattie, D. Krebs, Y. Ma, E. McInnis, D. Vivien, L.S. Weissbach, J. Westerfeld,
HUMANITIES:	A. Allen, S. Bertacco, L. Cooper, N. Polzer, P. Pranke, T. Soldat-Jaffe, M. Stenger, M. Williams
JUSTICE ADMINISTRATION:	J. Grant
MATHEMATICS:	C. Biro, U. Darji, E. Kubicka, L. Larson, A. Miller, R. Powers, T. Riedel, D. Swanson, C. Tone, S. White, D. Wildstrom
PAN-AFRICAN STUDIES:	L. Best, B. Hudson, T. Rajack-Talley
PHILOSOPHY:	A. Kolers
PHYSICS:	D. Brown
POLITICAL SCIENCE:	D. Clayton, T. Gray, M. Merry, R. Payne, S. Wallace
PSYCHOLOGY:	S. Meeks
SOCIOLOGY:	J. Busch, C. Negrey, J. Rieger
THEATRE ARTS:	N. Burton, R. Vandenbroucke
URBAN & PUBLIC AFFAIRS	D. Simpson
WOMEN'S & GENDER STUDIES:	K. Christopher, C. Fosl, D. Heinecken, N. Theriot

Professor Byers, Chair, called the Assembly to order.

The minutes of the Assembly of March 30, 2012, were approved as distributed.

The Chair asked if there was discussion of the proposed change to section II.B.1. of the A&S By-laws, on this, its second reading. The Chair clarified that the purpose of this change was to implement policy already approved by the Assembly, namely that the by-laws of a specific department, program, or division determine whether or not regular members of the college may vote in the meetings of or represent a department, program, or division in which they have a secondary appointment.

Hearing no call for discussion, the Chair put the question and the motion to amend the By-Laws carried.

The Chair then requested and received unanimous consent of the house to suspend the order of business and move to New Business before returning to the remaining item of Old Business, the revision of the course evaluation form.

The Chair recognized Professor Williams for the Curriculum Committee and Professor Allen for the Planning and Budget Committee, who moved, seconded by the committees, the approval of the Undergraduate Certificate in Peace, Justice and Conflict Transformation. Hearing no call for discussion of the proposal, the Chair put the question, and the motion to approve carried.

The Chair recognized Professor Kopelson, who moved approval of the candidates for May graduation (both undergraduate and graduate), pending successful completion of all requirements. The motion was seconded. The motion carried unanimously.

The Chair recognized Professor Riedel who moved, seconded by the Honors Advisory Committee, the naming of Shannon M. MacKenzie, a Physics major and French minor, as the recipient of the 2012 Woodcock Medal. The motion carried unanimously.

The Chair declared that nominations were now open for Chair of the Assembly for academic year 2012-13. Professor Wise nominated Professor Byers. The nomination was seconded. Hearing no further nominations, the Chair called the question and was unanimously re-elected Assembly Chairperson.

Professor Byers called for the Assembly to express its appreciation to Professor Stenger for her service as Parliamentarian for the past several years and led the Assembly in applause and good wishes for her retirement.

The Chair then asked for nominations for Parliamentarian for academic year 2012-13. Professor Leung was nominated, with the understanding that Professor Hall would serve in the position in the fall, when Professor Leung is on leave. This motion was seconded. Hearing no call for further nominations, the Chair put the question and Professors Leung and Hall were elected.

The Chair then called for the Assembly to return to Old Business and resume discussion of the revision of the course evaluation form proposed by the ad hoc committee chaired by Professor Meeks. At the

Chair's suggestion the Assembly moved to Committee of the Whole for a general discussion prior to taking up specific items in the committee's report.

When the Assembly rose from Committee of the Whole, the Chair called for a non-binding straw poll to determine the likelihood of the acceptance of the proposed revision, with the various amendments proposed during the discussion. The result was 12 in favor of the revision, 50 opposed, and 25 undecided.

Professor Rieger suggested that the document be returned to the ad hoc committee for additional work.

Professor Meeks stated that there was a need for consensus about what students can and should evaluate prior to any additional work on the document.

Discussion included Professors Griner, Meeks, Rieger, Polzer, Cooper, Gray, Riedel, Willey, Jarosi, Weissbach, and Leung.

The Chair recognized Professor Heinecken, who proposed as a substitute motion an evaluation based largely on the evaluation used at Duke, which she presented to the Assembly. The motion to substitute was seconded.

Discussion of the substitute motion included Professors Dietrich, Cooper, Meeks, Theriot, Polzer, Leung, Burton, Heinecken, and Willey.

The Chair put the question on the motion to substitute the document presented by Professor Heinecken for the document from the ad hoc committee. The motion to substitute carried, with 43 for and 17 opposed.

Professor Riedel moved that discussion of the substitute motion be deferred until the next Assembly. Professor Brown seconded. The motion to defer discussion carried.

Noting that the stated time for the Assembly had expired, the Chair called for a motion to adjourn. Motion to adjourn was made and carried.