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I. Call to Order  
   A. Senate President Baird called the meeting to order at 3:06 pm (see Appendix A).

II. Senate Action  
   A. Minutes from August 20, 2012, Faculty Senate Meeting  
      1. APPROVED Without Corrections  
   B. Continuing Business  
      1. Course Repeat Policy Presentation by Dr. Patrice Mitchell  
         i. Summary of Course Repeat Discussion from October 21, 2008  
         ii. March 24, 2010 Report from Curriculum Committee  
            a. Implement Policy Fall 2010 While Retaining Prior GPA  
            iii. Implementation Moved to 2011 (and Ultimately 2012)  
               a. Concern Over Communication and Implementation Issues  
               iv. New Policy in Effect August 9, 2012  
                  a. Courses Taken Prior to August 9, 2012 Subject to Original Repeat Policy  
                  b. Courses Taken After August 9, 2012 Subject to New Repeat Policy  
      v. There Have Been Seven Revisions of the GPA Change Poster  
         a. See Appendix B for Latest Revision  
      vi. Question Regarding W/WF and Repeat Policy  
         a. Courses Where Student Receive W or WF Are Not Considered Completed  
         b. Repeated Courses and Withdrawals Separate  
      vii. Question Regarding Process for WF’s so a Second W Does Not Remain  
         a. Second Withdrawal from a Course is “Automatically” a WF  
         b. Enrollment Services Working on Necessary Process  
      2. Update on ad hoc Committee on Effectiveness of Online Learning/Courses  
         i. Committee Members Selected  
      3. Elections Committee Charge  
         i. Status of Chair-Elect Position  

C. New Business  
   1. Discussion on Registration and Course Overload Issues  
      i. Drops Due to Financial Aid  
         a. Dropped Students Asking for Capacity Overload  
      ii. Dropped for Nonpayment Saturday Before Start of Classes  
      iii. Students Potentially Using “Drop” to Manipulate Instructors  
      iv. Burden on Students to Avoid Being Dropped
v. Student Success Charge
   a. Look into Automatic System Solution
2. University Curriculum Committee Recommendations and Changes
   Pushed Back to Next Meeting
3. Faculty Should Review Fall 2012 List of Graduation Candidates
4. Student Success Charge
   i. What does student centered learning mean?
      a. Not Operational Expression, But Often Used
5. Committee Reports
   i. Constitution and Bylaws Committee Report
      a. Proposed Amendment 1 Discussion
         i. APPROVED, Goes to Faculty at Large (Spring)
      b. Proposed Amendment 2 Discussion
         i. APPROVED, Goes to Faculty at Large (Spring)
      c. Proposed Amendment 3 Discussion
         i. APPROVED, Goes to Faculty at Large (Spring)
      d. Other Charges, Procedure for Loss of Committee
         Members
         i. Send Charge to Elections Committee
      e. Other Charges, Revising Bylaws of Planning, Budget and
         Facilities (PBF) Committee
         i. PBF Committee Should Propose Changes to
            Include and Economist
   ii. Faculty Development Committee Report
      a. Peer Review and Mentoring of Part-Time and Temporary
         Faculty
      b. Interested Parties Should Contact Faculty Development
   iii. Elections Committee Announcement
      a. Jose da Cruz is Chair
   iv. Educational Technology Committee Report
      a. Concerns About ad hoc Committee Effectiveness
D. Armstrong Blast Regarding Tornado Warning (Retracted)

III. Senate Information
   A. Public Policy Analysis Competition Starting in October
      1. $7,500 Prize
   B. Committees Should Report Back on Charges within 60 Days
   C. Bills Should Include Implementation Plan/Verification
   D. Address Senate Related Email to faculty.senate@armstrong.edu.

IV. Adjournment
   A. Senate Adjourned at 3:59 pm.

Minutes Prepared By:

Austin W. Francis, Jr., Ph.D.
## Appendix A

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Important undergraduate GPA changes

May significantly impact YOUR GPA, HOPE & Financial Aid!

Class repeats

Courses completed before Fall 2012 (under old policy)

Repeat a class initially taken before Fall 2012: (Academic history will not change.)
Repeat a class  →  replace the grade
Example: Math 1111 – 3 hours  →  Math 1111 – 3 hours
Grade = F (Fall 2010)  Grade = A (Spring 2013)
New Cum GPA 4.00

Courses completed Fall 2012 and after (under new policy)

Repeat a class taken Fall 2012 and after:
Repeat a class  →  grades will be AVERAGED
Example: Math 1111 – 3 hours  →  Math 1111 – 3 hours
Grade = F (Fall 2012)  Grade = A (Spring 2013)
New Cum GPA 2.00
Please read carefully page 72 in the 2011-2012 Armstrong Undergraduate Catalog

Withdrawals from a class

Withdraw from a class before Fall 2012: (Academic history will not change.)
Withdraw from a class before midterm – receive a grade of W or WF
Example: Math 1111 – 3 hours or Grade = W (Fall 2010)
Does not affect GPA
Does affect Financial Aid & HOPE
Math 1111 – 3 hours Grade = WF (Fall 2010)
Counts as F, lowers GPA
Does affect Financial Aid & HOPE

Withdraw from a class taken Fall 2012 and after:
Withdraw from a class the second time — at any point in the term — and receive a grade of WF
Example: Math 1111 – 3 hours or Grade = W or WF (Fall 2012)
Math 1111 – 3 hours Grade = WF (Spring 2013)
Please read carefully page 66 in the 2011-2012 Armstrong Undergraduate Catalog

Still have questions?

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912.344.2570

Your Advisor
Make an appointment or email your advisor

Enrollment Services
Victor Hall
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