

**Minutes of meeting: Advisement and Registration council of the WPU Faculty Senate
Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2012 Amy Job classroom, Cheng Library**

Attendees: Michael Boroznoff, Valeriya Avdeev, Victoria Wagner, Glen Sherman, Jyoti Champanerkar, Tom Fallace, Tina Leshner

Cochair Valeriya Avdeev called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m.

Tina Leshner moved that the agenda be approved. Seconded by Glen Sherman. Approved unanimously.

Tina Leshner moved that the minutes of the Oct. 17 meeting be approved, with a second from Valeriya Avdeev. Approved unanimously.

Glen Sherman, a member of the university's Blue Ribbon Task Force on Advisement, reported that the committee is studying various documents and looking at models for advisement. The goal is to move to recommendations that will be sent to the university's board of trustees. Glen noted that an outside consultant, Eric White, from Penn State, completed an assessment on WPU advisement in 2000, but "nothing happened." The Task Force is scheduled to meet twice more before the end of the fall semester, and will continue its work into the spring semester.

In a discussion relative to current students, Glen Sherman said information on how to deal with advisers should be part of Freshman Seminar. Attendees also agreed informally that an exit survey at the end of a student's initial year would prove beneficial.

Council members looked at the six charges given them by the Senate and discussed the implementation of the charges. While no formal vote was taken for prioritization, the committee did agree that the important charges included evaluation of a new advising system, a look at policies utilized at other institutions, advisor training and support, and a determination regarding the scheduling of an open forum on advisement. Members noted that some of the Senate charges already are being handled.

Tina Leshner moved that the council ask Jane Zeff, director of Institutional Research and Assessment, to assist in developing a campus-wide assessment survey of advisers. Seconded by Jyoti Champanerkar. Passed unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Tina Leshner

