



Faculty Senate Courier

September 01, 2010

Volume 2, No. 1

Message from Faculty President

**Installation of
Dr. Elizabeth (Beth) Stroble
As the 11th President of Webster
University**

Saturday, September 25, 2010
Powell Symphony Hall
10:30 AM



I hope all the faculty will participate in the academic procession for the installation of Beth as our new president. Webster University has not had a formal presidential inauguration since 1990 and this is a celebration of our president and our institution.

Please go to www.webster.edu/inauguration to register for the ceremony. It is important to register to ensure that we have adequate seating for the faculty at the ceremony.

A number of other events will take place, beginning September 19 so please use the website to register for these events as well.

Please arrive at Powell Hall by 9:15 so we can begin the ceremony promptly.

Welcome Dr Julian Schuster



On behalf of the faculty, I would like to welcome Dr Julian Schuster as our new provost and Senior Vice-President.

The following came from the Webster University website for the Administrative Council:

In his role as Provost and Senior Vice President, Dr. Julian Schuster serves as chief academic officer and chief advisor to President Elizabeth (Beth) J. Stroble, and has direct involvement in the strategic and day-to-day leadership of the institution.

Dr. Schuster assumed his position at Webster in July 2010, after serving as Founding Dean of the Hamline School of Business at Hamline University in St. Paul, Minn. Prior to that, he served in several capacities at the University of New Haven from 1996 to 2006, including Chair of the Department of Economics and Finance, Director of the Doctoral Program, Director of the Executive MBA Program, and Associate Dean and Dean of the School of Business.

Over the course of his career, Dr. Schuster has pioneered global alliances and promoted strategic investment in academic excellence, strengthening and expanding collaborations with more than a dozen international partner institutions.

Dr. Schuster received bachelor's, master's, and doctoral degrees in Economics from the University of Belgrade, one of the oldest and largest universities in the western Balkans. He currently serves on the Board of Governors of the University Avenue Business Association and on the Editorial Board of the International Journal of Pluralism and Economic Education. Dr. Schuster's professional memberships include the American Economic Association, the Eastern Economic Association and the American Association for the Advancement of Slavic Studies.

Webster Emergency Alerts

The following comes from Larry Haffner with regards to Webster Emergency Alerts. I encourage you to subscribe to the Webster alerts that will benefit you.

Colleagues

Here is some information on creating and/or changing your emergency alerts account.

If you go to the quick links drop down menu from the main Webster webpage and click on emergency alerts it will take you to <http://www.webster.edu/technology/websteralerts>

There you will find a number of choices, including a lot of information when you go to Frequently Asked Questions <http://www.webster.edu/technology/websteralerts/faq.shtml>

If you already have signed up previously, you will need to login from that main page to update/add/change cell phone and email information, check to make sure it's active, select alerts from other groups/functions, etc. If you have forgotten your password you can click on the "Forgot password" link to have it emailed to you. (If you are not sure if you already have an account, you can call Kristi (Evans) Lenz. If at all possible you really need to avoid adding a second account!)

If you have not previously signed up you will need to create an account by clicking on the "Create New Account Link" which will take you to: http://www.webster.edu/technology/websteralerts/new_account.shtml where you need to create the account, pick the alert groups you want to subscribe to (St. Louis Metro Weather and Webster Groves Emergency are recommended at minimum, but pick any of the other groups also if you want to see what emergency alerts they may get), enter your cell phone number, etc. Please note that this account name and password does not have to be your Connections ID and password; however you can choose to use those if you wish to make it easier to remember in the future.

Once you have signed up (or changed/added a cell phone number, or change/added an email address) you will get a validation code sent to your cell phone that you must then enter on the web page to complete the process and receive the alerts. (Or in the case of email, you will get an email sent to the account you provide and you must reply to it before it is activated.)

If you have any questions or problems creating an account, getting the activation validated, or making changes you can always call the Help Desk who provide assistance for this all of the time.

Things to Do in the Community

If you are looking for something fun to do, consider visiting the Missouri Botanical Garden (The Japanese Festival is September 4-6, 2010. I have attended parts of it many times. It is truly a worthwhile experience.

Vatican Splendors will be the featured exhibit at the History Museum. *Vatican Splendors: A Journey through Faith and Art* will run from May 15, 2010 - September 12, 2010. I did view the exhibit in July. It was worth the price of admission.

The Mourners: Tomb Sculptures from the Court of Burgundy will be featured at the St Louis Art Museum. It runs from June 20, 2010 - September 6, 2010.

Webster Campus Treasures

On the Webster campus are two very wonderful treasures: *The May Gallery and the Hunt Gallery*.

May Gallery

Currently, the May Gallery exhibit showcases the work of **Jorge Vera: urbanismo**. Mr. Vera will give a talk on Friday, 3 September at 1 pm, in Sverdrup room 101. (This is the same building the gallery is in, but on the first floor at the east end of the building.) The show remains on view through 17 September.



I had the privilege of viewing the show on opening night and it was fascinating.

Jorge Vera is a photographer and visual artist based in Lima, Peru. His current series, "urbanismo" (2008-2010), echoes early work from his first solo show in St. Louis, "Seldom Seen" (1989), exploring iconic images of the Midwest, where he lived from 1983 to 1992. In this period Vera started capturing images of mostly empty suburbia and urban spaces and landscapes, work that reflects his experience of isolation and alienation as a young self-exiled immigrant in the United States.

The May Gallery is located on the second floor, west wing, of the Sverdrup Building on the home campus of Webster University in Webster Groves, Missouri. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday 9 am to 9 pm, and Saturday and Sunday noon to 5 pm.

CECILLE R. HUNT GALLERY

August 27th-September 11th, 2010

Currently, the Hunt Gallery exhibit showcases an exhibition of film and video work through 11 September. Many of the Japanese films were first released only about a month ago. I had the privilege of viewing the films at the opening on Friday night, 27 August. They were very unique.

Work from the following artists may be viewed:

Aspect: Early Works vol. 8

featuring works by:

Doug Back

Robert Beck

Joan Jonas

Tony Oursler

Cai Guo Qiang

Oskar Fischinger: Ten Films

Vital Signals: Early Japanese Video Art
featuring work by:

CTG	Toshio Matsumoto
Katsuhiro Yamaguchi	Video Earth Tokyo
Toshio Matsumoto	Mako Idemitsu
Kohei Ando	Norio Imai
Takahiko Imura	Hakudo Kobayashi
Keigo Yamamoto	Saburo Maraoka, Tatsuo Kawaguchi, and Uematsu Morihiro Wada

Please do send me faculty notes to include in the next monthly faculty newsletter.

A more personal note:

Cactus Show: I had the opportunity over the past summer to exhibit some of my plants at the Henry Shaw Cactus Society Show.

I did win a few blue ribbons (e.g. best flowering, best large natural container) for some of my plants, but I am most proud of the Special Award that I won for my exhibit in the Education class. I am pictured on the right with the award. Overall in the competition, I placed fifth out of about 40 competitors.



Cardinal Baseball: Finally, catch a Cardinal baseball game. The team is looking good. I am usually in section 503, row 6, seats 1 and 2. For those interested, I have made 56 of the 64 home games. I believe that I will miss 2 or 3 more games at most.

Dates to include on your calendars:

Fall Institute – Oct 1 and 2, 2010. Location: Pere Marquette Lodge (starts at 3 pm on Friday; ends around 11 am on Saturday)

Spring Institute – March 25, 2011 (3 pm – 6 pm) --- in Sunnen Lounge

Faculty Assembly Meetings --- 3-4:30 pm

Tuesday, Sept 14, 2010

Tuesday, Sept 21, 2010

Tuesday, Nov 9, 2010

Tuesday, Feb 8, 2011

Tuesday, April 12, 2011

(We usually hold one more assembly meeting to ratify the contract agreement. TBD.)



Our former faculty senate house. It was torn down.



To make way for more parking.



Our current home is located on the second floor of the Alumni House.



The last Faculty Senate meeting occurred on May 24, 2010.



The last meeting in the Faculty Senate house occurred on June 2, 2010. The faculty representatives for the faculty compensation study met.



Our new faculty senate meeting room on the second floor of the Alumni House.



JoAnn Herwig is our Executive Administrative Assistant for the Faculty Senate.

MINUTES/FACULTY SENATE MEETING

May 6, 2010

Attendance

The Faculty Senate met on Thursday, May 6, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. in the Faculty House with Ralph Olliges, Faculty Senate President, presiding.

Present: John Aleshunas, Robin Assner, Glen Bauer, Mary Bevel, Cheryl Breig-Allen, Kathy Corley, Mike Hulsizer, Kit Jenkins, Don Morse, Debbie Psihountas, Quinn Shao, Art Silverblatt, Keith Welsh

Approval of Minutes

The following minutes were approved by voice vote:

- Faculty Assembly – April 13
- Faculty Assembly – April 20 (amended)
- Faculty Senate – April 22
- Faculty Senate - April 27

President Beth Stroble

President Beth Stroble presented the Senate with campus updates:

- A candidate for the position of the Director of Institutional Effectiveness will probably be on campus next week. The Director will report to the Provost.
- There was great participation in the Provost Search. An announcement should be made in about a week and a half.
- Webster Groves City Council has approved the new School of Business and Technology, demolition of buildings and the addition of a patio to Marletto's. The request for a new Faculty Senate house on Catalina was denied.
- The City Council fears there will be excessive foot traffic and parking problems with Webster's use of the Eden campus.

- The President's Inauguration will consist of:

- picnic
- showcase
- walk

The Inauguration Committee is trying to involve the extended campuses. President Stroble told Kathy Corley, a member of the committee, to propose a budget for the event.

Consultant on Branding

A consultant on branding was on campus for three days in April. She said she will receive recommendations this afternoon and work on the issue after commencement.

Discussion:

Senator: There is a Chinese Sunday School that wants to offer summer school for 1,000 students. They would reimburse with funds.

President: Will ask Karen Luebbert about the school.

Senator: Faculty should be involved with the new buildings.

President: Need master plan for the university.

Senator: Department Associates should be involved in the planning.

Senator: Disability issues need to be looked at.

Senator: Adjunct salary needs to be revisited.

President: Appreciates being able to attend the Assembly and Senate meetings and receiving individual e-mails. She wants academic leadership throughout the university.

Committee Appointments

The following committee appointments were approved by voice vote:

- Accessibility Committee - Gary Clark
- CRF – Anne Geraghty-Rathert
- General Studies – John Watson, Julia Griffey
- IRB – Eric Goedereis, Mary Preuss, Arnaldo Rodriguez, Phyllis Wilkinson
- MULC – Robin Higgins
- Speakers – Van McElwee
- Women’s Studies – Heather Mitchell
- Multicultural Studies Committee – Ginny Altrogge replaces Dani MacCartney for 1 year

FDC Workshops

Attached is a memo concerning new technologies based on the Boyer Model.

Department Name Change

The members of the Philosophy Department joined the Senate to discuss changing their department’s name to the Department of Philosophy and Human Rights (attached). Those in attendance were Britt-Marie Schiller, Bruce Umbaugh, Kate Parsons and Don Morse (Senator). After some discussion it was acknowledged that there is no set procedure for this.

The department requested the Senate’s endorsement. Art Silverblatt endorsed the request and Mary Bevel seconded the proposal which passed with 2 opposed and 1 abstention.

Fall Institute

Mike Hulsizer will ask Bill Buskist, Professor of Psychology at Auburn University, to speak at the Fall Institute.

New Business

Procedures for department name changes need to be addressed in the future.

MINUTES/FACULTY SENATE MEETING

May 24, 2010

Attendance

A special senate meeting was held May 24, 2010.

The Faculty Senate met on Thursday, May 24, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. in the Faculty House with Ralph Olliges, Faculty Senate President, presiding.

Present: John Aleshunas, Glen Bauer, Mary Bevel, Jeffrey Carter, Kathy Corley, Mike Hulsizer, Don Morse, Quinn Shao, Art Silverblatt, Keith Welsh, Gwyneth Williams

Reason

The Senate held a special meeting to discuss granting the new Provost faculty status and tenure. Ralph Olliges met with the President on Tuesday to discuss this issue. There is no handbook language for this and the President said that all five candidates have earned status elsewhere.

Discussion:

- Chair of the Provost's department and Dean would have to be agreeable.
- It should also be run by the two CRF Co-Chairs (initial status) to Webster.
- Cannot require him/her to take FDL.
- It was suggested that there be one sheet to review in addition to the vita in order to grant initial tenure.
- Olliges explained to the President the benefits of FDL.
- Olliges should ask for teaching evaluations, publications and classes taught.
- It is standard procedure to grant a new Provost faculty status and tenure.

The Senate unanimously agreed on the following statement for Olliges to give to the President:

The Faculty Senate endorses the process the President has proposed for granting the prospective Provost rank and status. The Senate strongly encourages the candidate to select FDL status. FDL is a distinctive feature of the Webster academic community that the faculty believes deserves continuing endorsement at the administrative level. Most faculty and deans at Webster have FDL status. It would symbolically support this unique Webster institution.



We are grateful for our new temporary home on the second floor of the Alumni House.

MINUTES/FACULTY SENATE MEETING

June 10, 2010

Attendance

The Faculty Senate met on Thursday, June 10, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. in the University Center's Presentation Room with Ralph Olliges, Faculty Senate President, presiding.

Present: John Aleshunas, Glen Bauer, Maxine Bauermeister, Mary Bevel, Kathy Corley, Dan Hellinger, John Orr, Julie Palmer, Marty Smith, Eileen Solomon, Keith Welsh, Gwyneth Williams

Mike Hulsizer was a guest of the Senate.

Committee Appointments

The following committee appointments were approved by voice vote:

- Women's Studies - Mary Preuss to replace Susan Heady for Fall 2010

VP Appointment

Ralph Olliges recommended Keith Welsh to serve as Vice President of the Senate. Gwyneth Williams motioned to accept the recommendation and John Aleshunas seconded the move which passed unanimously.

Fall Institute

Mike Hulsizer provided a tentative schedule for the Fall Institute (attached). The speaker has agreed to speak on both Friday and Saturday. Dan Hellinger suggested a budget increase for the Senate as there has not been a budget increase for several years.

Department Modifications

At the last Senate meeting the Philosophy Department requested a name change for their department. There is no handbook language to guide this decision. Welsh will send out a draft proposal of the document to the Senate. The Senate will discuss the issue and make a decision at the next meeting about procedures for departmental modifications such as a name change.

A second Task Force was convened by Dean Wilson on where Human Rights should be housed. They recommended that the Human Rights remain in a department. Ralph Olliges and Keith Welsh will meet with Dean Wilson to request that the full report from the second Task Force be made available to all.

Inauguration Gift for Beth Stroble

The Chair of the Inauguration Committee for Beth Stroble is requesting a gift from the Faculty Senate to be presented to the President (attached). Kathy Corley, a member of the committee, said that an academic symposium is being created as part of the ceremony. The Senate has not seen a budget for the President's Inauguration. It was the President's idea to have a faculty showcase. The Senate decided to present a tree to be planted on campus with a plaque as the faculty gift.

Old Business

Williams stated that the faculty discussed procedures for conducting faculty searches at the 2008 Fall Institute. She said it needs to be revisited.

Dan Hellinger suggested that there be a faculty governance Web page for internal communication.

A consultant will be on campus June 21 to discuss compensation issues.
Mike Hulsizer asked that questions be sent to him by e-mail.

Gwyneth Williams thanked Ralph Olliges for assuming the Senate Presidency at a crucial time. He inherited the position when Bill Lynch, former Senate President, accepted another position at the London campus. Williams stated that Olliges has done an excellent job of performing his duties under the circumstances.

A Reminder of Faculty Senate Membership 2010-2011

These are your representatives:

President of the Faculty Senate:	Ralph Olliges (Multidisciplinary Studies)
Vice-President of the Faculty Senate:	Keith Welsh (Religious Studies)
At-large Faculty Senators:	Dan Hellinger (HIPR) J.P. Palmer (Management) Art Silverblatt (Communication & Journalism) Marty Smith (Math & Computer Science) Roy Tamashiro (Multidisciplinary Studies) Gwyneth Williams (HIPR)
College of Arts & Sciences:	Don Morse (Philosophy) Keith Welsh (Religious Studies)
Leigh Gerding College of Fine Arts:	Jef Awada (Theatre) Carla Colletti replaces Glen Bauer (Music) for Fall 2010
George Herbert Walker School of Business and Technology:	John Aleshunas (Math & Computer Science) John Orr (Management)
School of Communications:	Kathy Corley (Electronic & Photographic Media) Eileen Solomon (Communication & Journalism)
School of Education:	Maxine Bauermeister (Teacher Education) Mary Bevel (Multidisciplinary Studies)

AY 2010-2011