

FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

International Room
Morris University Center
Approved Minutes
April 25, 2013

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee was called to order at 2:36 p.m. on April 25, 2013 in the Morris University Center International Room by Rhonda Comrie, President.

Present: Comrie, Duckham, Gillespie, Kirk, Moffett, Pannirselvam, Schoenecker, Taylor, Wiediger, Yager

Consideration of Minutes: Corrections were made to the April 11, 2013 minutes. The minutes were approved as corrected (Gillespie/Moffett).

UPBC: Timothy Schoenecker reported that the Council continues to discuss budget cutting principles. Timothy reported that President Poshard stated that UPBC would help formulate different retirement plan, but Timothy clarified that it is not something the UPBC does. He reported that legislature wouldn't act on it until May 5 at the earliest. It's understood that budget cutting this year on State funded accounts will possibly be across the board, but future cuts will be more strategic. There is a faculty open seat on UPBC, and Gillian Atchison is eligible to serve again. This can be acted on in the fall. Timothy noted to ask someone from the School of Business, Dental Medicine or Engineering for representation on the UPBC. There was a discussion regarding credit hours and budget cuts. Rhonda expressed many thanks to Timothy for his service on the UPBC.

Faculty Development Council: Bryan Duckham reported that Donna Jewel, Chair of TEAC, Wayne Nelson and Bryan will set up TEAC totally online by the end of spring semester. Bryan reported there was possibly support for the idea of instructors, clinical faculty and non-tenure track faculty to be eligible for one of the large TEAC awards. The Provost's Office is to have a faculty development survey after classes are over. The videos for the Mid Week Mentors are presently set up as a 60-90 minute webinar, but the subscription will change to 20-30 minutes sessions. The Provost's Office made a request to cut the EUE by 5%, and that has been done. There was a question about whether the EUE funding was in place. Bryan will follow-up.

Curriculum Council: Susan Wiediger reported that some of the leadership roles for the subcommittees are filled for next year. The General Education Committee will reappoint Melodie Rowbotham (SON), Cathy Daus (SOE) and Jingyi Jia (SOB) and one new appointment, Eric Voss (CAS). Of the scheduled program reviews, one was in good standing and one needs expedited review.

Rules & Procedures Council: Erik Kirk reported that the letters and results of the Provost and Chancellor evaluations were sent to the Provost and Chancellor on Monday. Each has ten days to respond before they are made available to the faculty.

The At large Graduate Council elections are completed. The Faculty Senate elections are complete except for the School of Nursing. Erik provided a handout regarding possible changes for the Faculty Senate president's term. He gave a summary of how the two year term would work with the past president and president-elect. The change could possibly change who is represents the Faculty Senate on the UPBC. There was a discussion. The current president would possibly appoint someone from a proposed Advisory Board made up of past presidents to be on UPBC. Ken offered an amendment that 'if the past president cannot serve someone from the proposed Advisory Board could, but the past president would have first preference.

There was discussion about the definition of faculty and Faculty Senate representation. It was decided to continue the discussion in the fall.

Welfare Council: Ken Moffett reported that someone has accepted the role of chair for the fall semester and Ken agreed to be chair in the spring. Ken reported that the Sabbatical policy revisions are ready for early fall Faculty Senate meeting. The policy on discipline and dismissal of tenured faculty would be brought forth to the Faculty Senate sometime in the fall. Ken reported that Welfare Council approved the revisions to the Emeriti Faculty Policy and the revised policy will be on the September Faculty Senate agenda for a first read.

Sabbatical Policies: Sue Wiediger noted a few grammatical corrections for the policy. There was another item of consistency regarding 'committee or faculty' in the review process pointed out. It was decided that it would be brought to the Faculty Senate in its current form at the September meeting and someone could make a floor amendment at that time as to not slow the process up by sending it back to Welfare Council for more revisions.

Graduate Council: Gertrude Pannirselvam reported that Graduate Council had three program changes. Policy was passed for electronic theses. Currently have form to change, add and delete a program, but do not have a form to put a program on moratorium. Jerry Weinberg is creating a form, but Curriculum Council may want to look at that form. Gertrude noted that Graduate courses converting to online do not really have a review process. If a 400 level course converts to online, then the course review committee looks at it. Susan Wiediger added that the Curriculum Council will meet with ITS and possibly get a faculty member involved during the design process if needs review.

Past President: Jane Gillespie reported that the Enrollment Management Council met. All numbers at this time are down from last year ~~at this time~~. Jane reported that Elizabeth Keserauskis reported that Marketing has a marketing blitz in pursuit. There is a 1%-6% reduction of applications, a real concern is Housing numbers and the fact that housing costs are increasing. On the upside, the average ACT scores are at 23.7.

President Elect: Susan Yager reported that after meeting every week working on an Instructional Use of Social Media policy, it is now with Tom Jordan and Legal Council for consideration with no movement for two weeks. The University Quality Council meets next week.

President:

- Rhonda Comrie reported that the next Board of Trustees meeting is in May.
- Rhonda thanked Erik Kirk and Rules and Procedures Council for providing clarity of the definition of faculty and faculty committee membership.
- Faculty Staff Appreciation went well.

Items of Business

Social Media Policy: Susan Yager gave an update under President-Elect report.

Susan Yager and Rhonda Comrie have met throughout the year. A proposed date for the All Faculty Meeting for AY14 is September 12. Governance secretary will need to reserve space for that day.

The first FSEC meeting for fall is August 22, 2013. At this meeting the old and new executive committee members will attend.

Post the 1E1 policy on Faculty Senate SharePoint. It will be on the agenda for a vote this fall.

SIUE Foundation Fund: The Faculty Senate president will get a monthly financial report.

Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 4:34 p.m.

Approved (with typos corrected) as submitted August 22, 2013 by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee

Vicki Kruse/University Governance