

## FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

INTERNATIONAL ROOM  
Morris University Center  
Approved Minutes  
October 11, 2012

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee was called to order at 2:36 p.m. on October 11, 2012 in the Morris University Center International Room by Rhonda Comrie, President.

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

The guest speaker from SUAA did not attend.  
Bryan Duckham is in another meeting and will attend later.

**Consideration of Minutes:** Corrections were made to the September 27, 2012 minutes. The minutes were approved as corrected (Yager/Gillespie).

### Reports from Council Chairs

**UPBC:** Timothy Schoenecker reported that the next meeting is tomorrow ~~with~~ and Todd Wakeland and Kenn Neher will attend.

**Faculty Development Council:** Bryan Duckham will report later.

**Curriculum Council:** Susan Wiediger reported that the list of possible search committee members for the Director of Assessment is ready to go to Curriculum Council and then the Provost. Susan gave an overview of Curriculum Council work that may soon come to the Senate. Sue will check with Scott Belobrajdic about sharing an enrollment report to the Senate.

**Rules and Procedures Council:** Erik Kirk reported that they meet next Thursday. The Council has work divided between two subcommittees: 1) work on the Form 91A pertaining to department name changes and 2) the definition of clinical faculty, and issues and confusion about evaluations of the Chancellor and Provost in regards to administrators that have faculty status.

**Welfare Council:** Ken Moffett reported that they haven't met yet this month, but reported that the Council will be working on a policy at the next meeting with an Ombuds representative and someone from the Provost's Office attending the meeting for a discussion.

**Graduate Council:** Gertrude Pannirselvam reported that they have not met since the last Faculty Senate meeting. Some upcoming agenda items are two policy revisions: ~~new doctoral programs and possible new guidelines for admissions from the Registrar's perspective~~ 1) Admissions and graduation policy revisions to account for the new doctoral program, and 2) promotion guidelines for research faculty.

**Past President:** Jane Gillespie reported that the Enrollment Management Council is working on ways to increase enrollment by 1 percent or more in different areas. There was a discussion.

**President Elect:** Susan Yager reported that she will meet tomorrow with the University Fellowship and Scholarship Committee to discuss nominees for outstanding thesis and outstanding ~~teacher~~ teaching assistant nominee awards.

**Faculty Development Council:** Bryan Duckham reported that the Faculty Symposium will be postponed while other dates are being explored, and the theme will be changed to a broader topic as submissions come in. The key note speaker will remain on schedule for January 3, 2013.

**President:** Rhonda Comrie will be the moderator for a debate initiated by the Student Senate concerning Chick Fil A on campus.

Rhonda met with ~~‘Nobbe’~~ Vice Chancellor Emmanuel to gather information about the issue of the MUC Art display space. She reported that originally, the gallery was to be used for displaying student and faculty art works, but now is needed for meeting space for students. The MUC Art display space will be available in April for presentations by BFA, MFA and art therapy students, senior assignments. The Art & Design building construction will have much larger gallery spaces available that should take care of space needs for students and faculty art exhibits, according to Emmanuel. In the end, the MUC space will be converted to meeting space for students because of space needs.

Discusslist: Rhonda will repost the policy, and a statement about ethics, and posting on the discusslist.

Rhonda will be meeting with the Chancellor tomorrow in their regular meeting, so if anyone has any comments or feedback contact Rhonda.

### **Items of Business**

Annual Update document: Rhonda would like to share it with the Chancellor and asked if there are any suggestions or concerns about the document. There was discussion, and it was decided to have a watermark such as ‘unofficial annual summary of activities’ on the pages. It would be presented to the Faculty Senate as an informational item and then posted on the Faculty Senate Web site as a summary of the 2011-2012 business.

Shared Governance Project: There was a discussion that included the recommendation to align work in the Provost’s Office with the Councils. Rhonda shared the document with the Chancellor and plans to ask the Chancellor about shared governance ideas and invite her to an Executive Committee meeting to talk about shared governance from her perspective possibly in October or November.

Appointment to the Four Year Review Committee of the Dean of School of Arts and Sciences Dr. Aldemaro Romero: It was decided that Rhonda will consult with the Provost in regards to someone outside of CAS to serve as the Faculty Senate representative on the committee.

Faculty Club: Bryan Duckham will contact Jonathan Pettibone and report back to the executive committee.

Evaluation of Ombuds Service report will be sent to the Chancellor and cc the Provost.

Open Meetings Act: Susan Wiediger reported digital recorders may be needed for Councils in case they need to close meetings because of confidential concerns.

Strategic Planning Committee: Rhonda Comrie reported that they began their work with Paul Rose as Chair and Timothy Schoenecker as Vice Chair.

**Adjournment:** Bryan Duckham motioned to adjourn. Jane Gillespie seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4:15 p.m.