

FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

INTERNATIONAL ROOM
Morris University Center

Approved Minutes
October 25, 2012

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee was called to order at 2:35 p.m. on October 25, 2012 in the Morris University Center International Room by Rhonda Comrie, Pr3esident.

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

Guest: Chancellor Julie Furst-Bowe

Rhonda Comrie introduced Chancellor Julie Furst-Bowe to talk about Shared Governance. Some points the Chancellor talked about:

- Deadlines lead to work being completed more efficiently and timely.
- Sometimes use an expedited process
- Combining and eliminating committees
- More on-line action
- A repository of minutes for new committee members to refer to.
- Inefficient
 - Governance is a nine month structure
 - Takes a few years or more to get things done.
- Suggestions to improve
 - Summer retreat with faculty, staff and students
- The Chancellor has increased the Chancellor's circle

There were a few questions for the Chancellor regarding these topics:

- Chain of command requires time as opposed to making things move quickly in shared governance
- Reorganization of the Provost's Office and the alignment of the Councils.
- Next year there will be a search for a Provost.

Consideration of Minutes: Corrections were made to the minutes. The minutes were accepted as corrected (Yager/Moffett).

Reports from Council Chairs

UPBC: Timothy Schoenecker reported that they met two weeks ago. Vice Chancellor Neher went over some initiatives and the campus master plan and reviewed all construction deadlines and other renovations and relocations. There is no news on the budget. There was a discussion about funding pensions in the future.

Faculty Development: Bryan Duckham reported that the Provost invited the Faculty Development Council to combine the Faculty Symposium with the Continuous Improvement Conference scheduled for the morning of Wednesday, February 13, 2013. The second day will be the Faculty Symposium as an “Unconference” with facilitators and break-out sessions in the Mississippi Illinois Rooms.

Wayne Nelson is communicating with the Provost’s Office about the focus for EUE. Nominations for TEAC need to be in by December 1. Bryan will contact Donna Jewell about an Engineering representative on committee.

Curriculum Council: Sue Wiediger reported that they met last week, two programs were reported as approved and several courses. Several pending forms need General Education Committee approval, but the committee has been working on Freshman Experiences.

Emmanuel Eneyo from Mechanical and Industrial Engineering has been nominated to the General Education Committee and will go on the November Faculty Senate agenda for a vote. A decision on a representative from CAS is pending. There was a discussion about the Continuous Improvement Conference. Sue reminded everyone that the deadline for catalog entries or changes is December/January for fall of 2013. Work continues in creating the search committee for the Director of Assessment. The Provost has made her selection and emails have gone out to those committee members.

Sue presented a revision to the General Education Committee operating papers. After discussion it was decided that they will go forward to the November 1 Senate meeting for a first read under “Items of Business”.

Rules and Procedures Council: Erik Kirk reported that their meeting was effective. The Council has two items being worked on and divided between two subcommittees: department name changes and the definition of faculty. The committees will report back in November. There was a discussion.

Welfare Council: Ken Moffett reported that the Council met last week and talked about policy with the Faculty Benefits subcommittee, an Ombuds representative and a representative from the Provost’s Office. Other items the Council and its committees continue to work on are sabbaticals, family leave, video surveillance and salary equity. It was noted that Ari Belasen will attend the December Faculty Senate meeting instead of the November meeting.

It was noted that the AQIP General Education Charge will be added to Items of Business with agreement.

Graduate Council: Gertrude Pannirselvam reported that the Council met last week and is working on five different policies. Gertrude gave a summary of the work the Council is working on at this time including an approved request from the School of Nursing for an exception concerning timing to SIUE Policy 1Q8 on changes in the Doctor of Nursing Practice program and will move forward to the Faculty Senate at the November meeting for a first read.

Past President: Jane Gillespie reported that the Enrollment Management Council submitted a strategic report on increasing enrollment which includes retention rates, non- traditional students and potential partnerships with industries.

President Elect: Susan Yager reported that the UQC met this morning with the 2012 Systems Portfolio on the agenda. It will go to Higher Learning Commission next week after a draft goes to the Chancellor first.

President: Rhonda Comrie reported that she moderated the student debate about the ~~Chic-Fil-A~~ Chick-fil-A student government resolution. The committee that was called together by Vice Chancellor Emmanuel met Monday and now they're looking at what step to take next. They had a conference call with a ~~Chick-Fil-A~~ Chick-fil-A representative and decided they need other ways for conversation on campus. There was a discussion. Rhonda will take ideas that senators expressed back to committee. MUC Art Display Space issue is resolved at this time.

Items of Business

Shared Governance report: At the next meeting one or two ideas will be pulled out to determine whether to move with any of them.

Faculty Club: Bryan Duckham suggested that maybe a formal questionnaire would facilitate how to spend the money from the old Faculty Club. There was a discussion ~~and~~

It was clarified that the Evaluation of the Ombuds Service would be sent to the Chancellor and cc'd to the Provost by Ken Moffett, Chair of Welfare Council.

Other

Visits to Faculty Senate: Ari Belasen, Bradley Hewett and Bill Retzlaff are coming to the December Senate meeting.

AQIP General Education Charge: Sue Wiediger introduced the charge from AQIP about the assessment plan. It has been approved by the UQC (University Quality Council) and will move to the Faculty Senate for an endorsement. Assessment would like it to jointly come from UQC and Faculty Senate.

A question was asked about who would start the transition from 124 hours to 120 hours in programs that the Provost spoke of at the Faculty Senate meeting. Rhonda will look at current policy and follow up.

There was a question in regards to the Open Meetings Act and the FAQ that Bob Vanzo sent out and allowing public participation.

Adjournment: Ken Moffett motioned for adjournment. The meeting was adjourned at 4:52 p.m.

*Approved with corrections November 8, 2012 by the Faculty Senate Executive Committee
Vicki Kruse/University Governance*