Faculty Senate Executive Committee  
February 26, 2015  
Approved Minutes

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee was called to order at 2:36 p.m. on February 26, 2015 in the International Room, Morris University Center by Tom Foster, president.

Present: Goebl-Parker, Hester, Ibroscheva, Kirk, Ozcan, Sabby, Taylor, Yager

Approval of Minutes: The February 12, 2015 minutes were amended and approved as amended.

Announcements: Bob Dixon will reschedule his visit to the Senate. The Provost had a scheduling conflict and not able to attend. It was decided not to invite the Provost at this time. The budget will not be flat.

Reports

UPBC: Morris Taylor reported that he spoke to Bill Winter and the Chancellor and there is nothing new to report, but things change daily.

Faculty Development Council: In addition to submitting a report, Elza Ibroscheva reported that the Council is working on the travel statement and gave a summary of the draft statement. The report is filed with the minutes. They are now crafting language regarding regional, national and international travel. There was discussion.

Curriculum Council: Jeffrey Sabby submitted a report and it is filed with the minutes. He added that the Undergraduate Programs Committee recently approved three programs. They are working on booking the open hearing for a new Engineering program. General Education approved 15 requests. Committee on Assessment approved two forms in the Environmental Sciences program bundle, which were the final approvals allowing that new program to move to the Provost's Office. Jeffrey also reported that History wants to move forward with a dual credit program with Edwardsville High School. There was discussion regarding the Dual Credit Task Force Report. It was decided to put it on the March 5 Faculty Senate agenda and post the Curriculum Council Report from 2013 regarding the report on Dual Credit on SharePoint for reference.

Rules & Procedures Council: Shelly Goebl-Parker submitted a report which is filed with the minutes and additionally provided apportionment numbers. Shelly reported that elections are being ironed out for the upcoming year. Nominations for president-elect are also a priority at this time. It was decided to invite representatives of clinical faculty who can answer questions at the March senate meeting after Tom Jordan speaks about the proposed changes regarding Faculty Senate and clinical faculty. A document from Tom Jordan will be posted to the FS SharePoint. There was discussion about evaluations of the Chancellor and Provost and comparison to the evaluations administered by CHAPA.

Welfare Council: Tim Ozcan submitted a report which is filed with the minutes. He also reported that the Council is working on the teaching load policy, but learned from General council that there is a possible change in the Ombuds’ terms of confidentiality due to Title IX developments. There was a
discussion. Faculty Status is working on the issue. Steve Springer is the contact person for the Cleary Act and Title IX training. There was a discussion about teaching work load. Ideas were offered for Tim to take back to Welfare Council. Plans are to send a draft to Tom Jordan to have an agreeable draft in order to expedite the process.

**Graduate Council:** Andrea Hester submitted a report and it is filed with the minutes. Andrea also reported about the changes to 1Q8 regarding only Graduate Level changes.

**Past President:** Susan Yager reported that the Enrollment Management meeting was canceled. Susan attended the UPBC meeting which Morris Taylor covered in his report above.

**President Elect:** No report.

**President:** Tom Foster reported that he has been corresponding with SIUC Faculty Senate gathering information about the union question which he will post on SharePoint. Also, Tom shared that he looked at Carbondale’s definition of faculty which he posted on SharePoint. There was a discussion. Other topics discussed were tuition increase, guaranteed tuition act, 125% increase, two new appointees on the SIU Board of Trustees, Capital campaign, Policy 7A1 which Tom Foster is working with Tom Jordan on the language to include faculty on the section concerning curriculum.

**Adjournment:** The meeting was adjourned at 4:11 p.m. (Yager/Ozcan)

*Approved as submitted March 26, 2015
Vicki Kruse/University Governance*

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**Faculty Development Council Report February 2015**

**TEAC report:** The committee is frantically to finish up our classroom observations and dossier evaluations. There are 5 candidates for the Teaching Excellence Award and 2 candidates for the Teaching Distinction Award. Early next week, the committee will finalize our summary letters and Bryan Smith will hand deliver all materials to the Provost’s office before the end of the day on Feb 27th.

**Travel Policy/Philosophy statement:** The FDC continued its discussion of drafting a statement concerning the importance of travel to the teacher/scholar model at SIUE. Elza distributed copies of travel policies at other universities (Auburn, Wash U, Vanderbilt), which mostly deal with specific procedures on how to go about following the proper travel funding channels. The council began discussion on how to focus the statement on travel and outlined the following points: Travel (regional, national or international) is critical for the purpose of research and creative activities because it allows for the dissemination of scholarship, establishing collaboration in future research projects, advancing the professional development of the faculty member, or developing and maintaining a network of support and reputation in the each faculty member’s respective academic discipline. Faculty are committed to present evidence and documentation of how proposed travel plans will enhance one’s teaching, scholarship and professional
development and will follow due process in satisfying the university’s regulations and procedures set forth for funding travel requests. All official travel should be prudently planned so that the best interests of SIUE are served at the most reasonable cost. Anyone traveling on university business is expected to exercise the same economy that a practical person would exercise when traveling on personal business.

In addition, travel and particularly so international travel, is instrumental in meeting the university’s growing effort at internationalizing the SIUE campus as it not only provides opportunities for the SIUE faculty to increase the visibility and the academic reputation of the university worldwide, but to also recruit and attract international students who might be interested in attending SIUE as well as forge relationship with foreign universities where SIUE students can pursue opportunities to travel and study abroad. Finally, we also discussed the need to include a sentence that outlines the importance of travel to junior faculty who are in the midst of building their academic research agendas and reputation.

**Continuous Improvement Conference:** The council completed the program for the conference. The conference will now offer three panels, focusing on online education, each one following the keynote presentation by Dr. Cris Mayo. The panels are now fully constituted, with moderators and room assignments. Elza will finish the program for the conference and will distribute copies for advertising the event campus wide. The program follows below:

**Session 1: 10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m | Maple-Dogwood Room**
**Facing new challenges: Changing formats, methods and expectations in the online environment**

Moderator: Emily Keener, Instructional Design & Learning Technologies Center

Discussion on teaching in the winter session and sharing marketing research data from Blackboard and its impact on SIUE’s online student population

Jeffrey Sabby, Physics  
Mohammad Yousef, Physics  
Tyann Cherry, Educational Outreach

**Session 2: 10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m | Redbud Room**
**The importance of technological comfort: Interdisciplinary reflections and experiences**

Moderator: Matthew Schmitz, Instructional Design & Learning Technologies Center

Presenting and sharing unique experiences and innovations from teaching online with the new pilot OER program

David Cluphf, Kinesiology and Health Education  
Debbie Mann, Foreign Languages and Literature  
Sorin Nastasia, Applied Communication Studies  
Edward Navarre, Chemistry  
Jason Stacy, Historical Studies
Session 3: 10:45 a.m. – 12:00 p.m | Hickory Room
Innovation vs tradition: Strategies for optimizing online learning experiences and outcomes
Sharing experiences and reflections on the challenges of online delivery and quality instructions both for the faculty involved and the students

Moderator: Jennifer Logue, Educational Leadership

George Watson, Management and Marketing
Dave Knowlton, Educational Leadership
Anne Powell, Computer Management and Information Systems
Heidy Carruthers, Foreign Languages and Literature
Olga Bezhanova, Foreign Languages and Literature

GRADUATE COUNCIL
Report to FSEC 2/26/2015, Faculty Senate 3/5/2015
Grad Council met on Thursday*, January 15, 2015 and Thursday, February 19, 2015, 2:30 PM
I. Announcements
A. Course Review Committee (CRC) Report (attached)
B. Graduate Committee on Assessment (GCOA) Report (attached)
C. Graduate School Announcements

The Graduate Student Research Symposium will take place March 31, 10:30 am-12:30 pm at the MUC.
Moving forward, a Graduate School component will be added to the SIUE Explore Academic Excellence days.
The Graduate School will undergo a voluntary peer review by the National Council of University Research Administrators (NCURA) in April.

II. Report of the Programs Committee
A. Form 91A – Sociology (CAS-14-142)

To promote graduate rates, a comprehensive exam exit requirement to the Masters in Sociology Program was added.
The Koung Hee Leem made a motion to accept the report from Programs Committee. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Report of the Educational and Research Policies (ERP) Committee
A. Implementation and Administrative Responsibility Policy – GC14/15-12

The policy was revised to separate undergraduate and graduate programs and add the new section for graduate programs and professional programs. The graduate policy is less rigid.
Poonam Jain made a motion to accept the report from ERP. The motion passed unanimously.

IV. Continuing Business
There was no continuing business.

V. New Business

The committee to conduct the evaluation of the graduate school dean was formed.
Respectfully submitted,
Andrea Hester, Chair of the Graduate Council and
Assistant Professor, Computer Management and Information Systems
* Note: Provost Ansari joined Graduate Council for an open discussion meeting on Thursday, January 15, 2015.

Memo
To: Faculty Executive Committee
From: Jeffrey Sabby, Chair – Faculty Senate Curriculum Council
Date: February 19, 2015

Re: Faculty Senate Curriculum Council Report for February 19th Meeting, Meeting was cancelled by FSCC chair due to no action items on agenda; however, reports received from the various subcommittees are attached.

1. Announcements
None
2. Reports
   a. Standing Committees and Operations
      i. Undergraduate Programs Committee Report
         a. Co-Chairs: Bryan Jack, Gerry O’Brien
         b. Members: Susanne James, Sorin Nastasia
         c. See Attachment A through D

      ii. Undergraduate Courses Committee Report
          a. Chair: Hoo Sang Ko
          b. Members: Jason Williams, Liza Cummings
          c. See Attachment E

      iii. General Education Committee Report
          a. Anne Flaherty
          b. See Attachment F
             a. One student appeal, Reviewed 19 requests, 15 approved, 4 denied,

             February 16 meeting cancelled due to snow day.

   iv. Academic Standards and Policies Committee Report
       a. Chair: Carl Springer
       b. Member: Ram Madupalli
       c. Nothing to Report
v. Committee on Assessment Report  
   a. Members: Lenora Anop, Aminata Cairo  
   b. **February Meeting Minutes – See attachment H**  
   c. At FSCC chairs request ENSC 490, ENSC 498 SRA, were reviewed and approved.

vi. Graduation Appeals Committee  
   a. Members: Ann Kates (chair), Rick Essner, Greg Sierra, and Kim White  
   b. **Nothing to Report**

3. The FSCC chair received a request from History to pursue a dual-credit program with Edwardsville High School. I have attached all of the information pertinent to this discussion in Attachment I (the Dual Credit File folder). I have also attached the Dual Credit Report (Attachment H). I believe that this material need to be added to the FSEC agenda for the Thursday, February 26, 2015 meeting. The appropriate materials need to get into the right hands to further this program.

Submitted by: Dr. Jeffrey A Sabby, Chair, Faculty Senate Curriculum Council, February 19, 2015

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**Welfare Council Report**

February 24, 2015

The Welfare Council met on February 19, 2015 in the MUC Board Room

A. Members of the Welfare Council invited two Ombuds and Tom Jordan to discuss the proposed language change on Ombuds Policy to limit confidentiality of their discussion with faculty. The expectation of confidentiality and the recommendation of confidentially “within legal limits” were discussed. The guests mentioned proposing the additional excerpt of language to clarify the existing policy. Limits of confidentiality, Title 9 applications, and the general nature of the ombuds service were discussed. We discussed the notion of the ombuds service not being a reporting office, except for issues of imminent harm, child abuse or ethics violations. Different applications from other universities were also discussed. Faculty Status subcommittee was charged to work on the proposed change and we will have a draft by the next council meeting.

B. As charged by the Faculty Senate President, the council started working on the Teaching Load Policy. A collective discussion was presented on possible language changes. Primarily, the notion of interchanging “courses” with more specific language to encompass varying credit load differentiations among departments. We discussed the limitations of the policy and seemed to agree on excluding tenure-track faculty from such teaching load. We continued with further discussions about how to execute a possible 4-4 teaching load. Particularly, we discussed whether it should be completely voluntary or forcing faculty who are inactive in terms of research to teach 4-4. We also discussed who should make such decision if faculty were to be forced and seemed to agree on that this would be under department chairs’ authority. Faculty Benefits and Facilities subcommittee was charged to work on the proposed changes and we will have a draft by the next council meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Tim Ozcan

Co-chair, Welfare Council
Department of Management and Marketing-SOB