Opening:

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 2:35 pm in the Hickory-Hackberry Room of Morris University Center by Susan Breck, President.

Present:


Not Present:

Aktuna, Cooper, Keene, Starrat

A motion was made by David DeWeese, and seconded by Kathy Ketchum, to suspend business to allow Dean Stephen Hansen to speak to the Senate at the Opening of the meeting. Motion carried.

I. Guest: Stephen Hansen

Associate Provost for Research and Dean of the Graduate School

Dr. Hansen gave a Power Point presentation and spoke to the Senate regarding tuition waivers within the Graduate School. A question and answer session followed.

II. Announcements

A. Curriculum Council - Approved Undergraduate Courses from Curriculum Council

Form 90A:

- KIN 419 – Physiological Effects of Motor Activity for Physical Educators
- KIN 317 – Biomechanics of Human Movement for Physical Educators
- KIN 314 – Functional Human Anatomy for Physical Educators
- ME 354 – Numerical Simulation
- ME 482 – Mechanical Engineering Design I
- ME 484 – Mechanical Engineering Design II
NURS 235 – Professionalism and Inquiry in Nursing

Form 90B (modifications)
   ME 480

Form 90C (dropped courses)
   ME 356 – Dynamical Systems Modeling
   ME 356L – Measurement and Simulation Lab

Approved Undergraduate Program Changes
   BA in Physical Education
   BS in Construction
   BSBA in Speech Language Pathology and Audiology
   BS in Nursing

III. Consideration of Minutes

   A. February 1, 2007: The minutes were approved as written.

IV. Reports from the Standing Committees

   A. UPBC - Radcliffe "Pug" Edmonds

      • The UPBC is discussing New Freshman Seminar classes which will be
        implemented this Fall ’07.

      • Eric Ruckh requested the UPBC review the resource needs of the
        BRIDGE proposals.

      • RAMP proposals for Fiscal ’09 are in the amount of seven million dollars.

      • UPBC will not meet during Spring Break week; March 16, 2007 will be
        their next meeting.

      • There was a brief question and answer session regarding the funding for
        implementation of the BRIDGE proposals.

   B. IBHE Faculty Advisory Council - Julian Bueno

      • The IBHE met in Peoria, IL on February 23, 2007 for the IBHE Board
        Luncheon.

      • The Higher Education Coalition meets every 4-6 weeks and they wanted
        the FAC to join the table. The FAC cannot join a lobbying group
        because they are advisory.

      • Today is Julian Bueno’s last report; he is stepping down from the IBHE
        representative position. He is in need of a replacement and an alternate
        for his replacement.
C. Technology Advisory Council - Bill White

- Academic Computing is an advisory council only; they do not make any decisions.

- Cluster committees are speaking with constituencies regarding software and hardware requests for educational purposes. The deadline for the requests is March 15, 2007.

- Handouts were distributed with cluster names. Names in bold font have been confirmed as correct; your Cluster representative can fill you in on how to request the software.

V. Reports

A. Curriculum Council - Kathy Ketchum

- Distributed handout regarding approved undergraduate course and program changes.

- Three Program Reviews have been evaluated.

- The Director of Assessment Search Committee continues their work to find a replacement for Lesa Stern. Larry LaFond is replacing Jenny Bolander on the committee.

- The Impact of Banner Taskforce Chair is John Pendergast. They will be completing their assigned task over the next few months.

- Approved a new Interim Program Review Questionnaire that will be used by programs in between the bigger Program Reviews.

- Lesa Stern, Director of Assessment, is leaving SIUE. A committee has been formed for that search committee. If you would like to apply for the position, applications are due by February 15, 2007.

B. Graduate Council- Jean Harrison

- The Graduate Council will meet on Friday, February 23, 2007.

- Six members of the Graduate Council are going off the Council next year. There will be an election for 2 At-Large members, 1 from CAS, 1 from the School of Dental Medicine, 1 from the School of Nursing, and 1 from the School of Engineering. The elections should be completed by the end of April. The installment of new members will be in September.
C. Faculty Development Council - Marjorie Baier

- The Spring Faculty Symposium will be the afternoon of March 28, 2007. Dan Bernstein, Director of the Center for Teaching Excellence at the University of Kansas, will be the keynote speaker.

- There will be a presentation of posters at the Symposium on the theme, Scholarship for Student Learning at SIUE.

- Excellence in Undergraduate Education (EUE) coordinator, Geert Palleman, has constituted FDC panels to review 43 EUE applications at a special meeting on March 22, 2007. They will prepare a final recommendation to the Provost.

- Rebecca Lindell, FDC member, will be issuing a call for Faculty Conversations applications soon.

- The Teacher Scholar Steering Committee has met twice to prepare a recommendation about us of a teacher scholar model at SIUE.

- The Faculty Technology Center is sponsoring a technology fair on April 20, 2007. The FDC is working with them on the fair; the theme is “Spotlight on Technology at the e”.

D. Rules and Procedures Council - Eric Voss

- The nomination for the Faculty Senate President Elect, a three year commitment, is E. Duff Wrobbel. All were in favor.

- The Chancellor and Provost Evaluations will be conducted through Blackboard until March 15, 2007. Mary Sue Love will be mailing instruction.

- The Dean’s Evaluation will be an agenda item next month; it is currently with Jeff McLellan, Associate General Counsel.

- The revised Procedure for Faculty Vote on BRIDGE document was distributed, as was the revised ballot document. The documents were reviewed and discussed. A motion was made by Jen-Shiun Chen, and seconded by Steve McCommas, to include on the ballot, a fourth option of “none of the three”. A motion was made by Jonathan Pettibone, and seconded by Bryon Ehlmann, to accept the changes. The vote was 20 votes to 13 votes in favor of including the fourth option of “none of the three”. **Motion carried.** The revised ballots and Procedure for the Faculty Vote on BRIDGE will be mailed to all voting faculty members on Monday, March 5, 2007.
• Ballots for the Faculty Vote on BRIDGE may be turned in to the University Governance Office between March 5, 2007 and March 29, 2007, during the All Faculty Day Meeting between 3:00 – 5:00 pm in the ballot boxes, or to the ballot box that will be placed in Lovejoy Library between 5:00 pm on March 29, 2007 and 5:00 on Friday, March 30, 2007. Ballots will not be considered valid if they are received through campus mail.

E. Welfare Council - Laurie Puchner

• The Welfare Council has decided not to resubmit the Statement on Standard Salary Increases that was approved by the Faculty Senate in Spring 2006 and later rejected by the Chancellor. A handout was provided.

• The Council has been working on Grievance Procedure revisions. They have drafted a memo requesting a meeting with the Chancellor’s and the Provost’s Offices to discuss their deliberations and to create a plan for moving forward.

• Next month the Welfare Council will be presenting an Action Item to the Faculty Senate concerning revisions to the definition of family in the Faculty Handbook.

• The Welfare Council has asked the Faculty Senate President to discuss the recent inclement weather decision with Kenn Neher.

• The Welfare Council continues to work with the Salary Equity Task Force and the Emeritus Task Force. It is anticipated that those task forces will be submitting reports to the Welfare Council soon.

F. Past President - Kathleen Tunney

• No report

G. President Elect - Kay Covington

• No report
VI. New Business

    A. The April 5, 2007 Faculty Senate Meeting will be held in the Morris University Center’s Mississippi – Illinois Room.

VII. Old Business

VIII. Other Business

IX. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 5:30 pm.

Betsy Tozzini, Secretary to President Susan Breck