

FACULTY SENATE MEETING
MISSISSIPPI ILLINOIS ROOM
MORRIS UNIVERSITY CENTER

February 3, 2011

Approved Minutes

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 2:31 p.m. on February 3, 2011 in the Morris University Center Mississippi Room by Jonathan Pettibone, President.

Present: Latorre, Wiediger, Foster, Chen, Schmidt, Taylor, Goebel-Parker, Siganga, Kelly, Vogel for Willmott, Seyer, Kerber, Maatita, Smith, Schmitz, Miner, Gillespie, Thornton, McCracken, Fahsl, Love, Yu, Moffett, Hershberger, Duvernell, Schober, Pearson, Kirk, Schoenecker, Hildebrandt, Chleboun, Celik, Agustin, Yager, Weyhaupt, Yan, Duckham, Carstens-Wickham, Bharati, Thomeczek, Shaw, Solares, Savoie, Ferguson and as alt for Pannirselvam, Hinz, Pettibone

Absent: Frick, Jain, Kapatamoyo, Fries, Joanne Cattafesta alt for Alexander, Harrison, Kolling,

Guests: Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Paul Ferguson, Julie Hopwood, Assistant Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management Steve Belobrajdic, Vicki Scott, Sue Thomas,

Announcements:

- Approved Courses and Programs were announced.
- Susan Wiediger announced that ADVANCE (a project that will collect and analyze data to build a comprehensive picture of the status of women faculty at SIUE) received a grant and will be reporting periodically to the Faculty Senate on the findings. ADVANCE and HERI both have surveys out at this time.
- Jonathan announced the creation of a Task Force for Shared Governance. Members are E. Duff Wrobbel, Chair, Dave Duvernell, Steve Hansen, Joel Hardman, Julie Hopwood, Catherine Seltzer, Cindy Schmidt and Laura Swanson and their charge is to:

Develop a consensus document that suggests a contemporary definition of "shared governance" in higher education, articulates the relationship between shared governance and the mission, vision and values of SIUE, and offers a framework for clearly determining which aspects of governance are shared between key SIUE constituencies and to what extent those are shared.

The plan is for the Task Force to report back to the Senate in March or April.

Jonathan turned the floor over to Provost Ferguson.

Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Paul Ferguson expressed his appreciation to the faculty and the Faculty Senate for being open to the conversations this past year about the budget crises. He recognized the areas being accredited and reaccredited, commended the continuous quality

improvement, and academic affairs such as the Lincoln Plan which will soon be ready for implementation. A few points were mentioned about SIUE's academic portfolio. He led a discussion about communication in general and communication between the Faculty Senate, faculty and administration. He acknowledged Jonathan Pettibone as President of the Senate in taking a leadership role in the conversations on the listserv recently. Dr. Ferguson opened the floor to questions and addressed concerns over the revisions of policies proposed by the Human Resources Director. The Provost introduced Vicki Scott, Sue Thomas and Julie Hopwood. There were other questions regarding programs that Sue Thomas answered.

Consideration of Minutes: Corrections were made to the December 2, 2010 minutes. Allison Fahsl made a **motion** to approve the minutes as amended. The motion was seconded by Marcus Agustin, and the minutes were **approved as amended**.

Everyone was in agreement to change the order of agenda.

Action Item:

FS#03-10/11 Absence from Class for University Business-118: A revision to the policy was brought forward from a **motion** from the Faculty Senate Executive Committee. The revision reads:

Due to patient care issues, instructors and the respective Dean (or Dean's designate) in health professional schools will be provided latitude in limiting absences to no more than 10 percent following consultation with the student and the Office of the Provost.

There was discussion. The **motion passed** by a majority vote.

UPBC: Timothy Schoenecker reported that SIUE has now received for this fiscal year \$11 million out of the \$64 million appropriated from the State of Illinois. Illinois may go to performance-funding based funding; instead of based on the previous year funding, could be based on retention and graduation rates. Timothy reported that the Vice Chancellors are making their budget requests to UPBC at this time. There was a question about retroactive pay increase since SIUE received all of its money from the State for last fiscal year.

IBHE FAC: Martha Latorre reported from the January notes from the meeting about a discussion on the tenure process at DePaul and transparency. Martha will be on Sabbatical for the fall semester, therefore is looking for someone to be the alternate to represent SIUE at the Faculty Advisory Council meetings every month that semester. Please, talk to Martha if you are interested. The Faculty Senate Executive Committee decides who that person will be. The person does not need to be a member of the Faculty Senate, but will attend the Faculty Senate meetings.

ATSIC: Melissa Thomeczek reported that the committee is in a state of suspension due to SIUE lawyers working with Digital Measures to secure a contract. Melissa plans to report to the Senate when ~~the committee is back in order~~ Legal agrees to the contract with the company.

Faculty Development Council: No report.

Graduate Council: Rakesh Bharati reported two minor program changes in Nursing and Instructional Technology were approved. The co-authored papers policy was recently revised to include travel dollars for one faculty member and one student.

Curriculum Council: Geoffrey Schmidt gave a report of the Council's progress on their work including revisions to the Curriculum Council operating papers. The discussion on '+/- grading' will move to the Academic & Standards and Practices Sub-Committee for further review. Geoffrey explained the two documents on Blackboard regarding placement testing. The Curriculum Council reviewed and approved changes to the placement testing proposal, therefore will be considered first reading today. There were some questions concerning raised standards and making sure the information will trickle down to others whom it may affect. Any further questions can be sent to Geoffrey Schmidt.

Rules & Procedures Council:

- **Election of President Elect:** Karen Kelly introduced Rhonda Comrie and Marcus Agustin as candidates. Karen opened the floor for other nominations. There were none and the nominations were closed. Karen reviewed the election process with a discussion. Mary Sue Love pointed out that changes were previously made to the voting process to include electronic voting, but were not updated in the existing papers.
 - Mike Shaw made a **motion** to carry out the election electronically on Blackboard in the same time frame as indicated in the By-Laws. It was seconded by Rakesh Bharati. There was discussion. Voting will take place after February. Karen will make sure each candidate's statement is available on Blackboard with the election option and send a copy to the Governance Secretary. The **motion passed**.
- Karen Kelly reported that the Council is proceeding with evaluation of the Chancellor and Provost.
- Spring Senate election on the agenda for late spring.
- Rhonda Comrie and Marcus Agustin each gave a statement.

Welfare Council:

- Susan Yager reported that Welfare Council has met twice with the Human Resources Director regarding policies. The discussion is complete at this time, and the Council is waiting for revisions from Sherrie Senkfor before it can be brought forth to the Senate. The work on the Family Friendly policy continues.
- Susan Yager submitted on behalf of the Welfare Council the nomination of Steve Kerber as a faculty representative to the working group that will develop the Video Surveillance policy. Susan Yager asked for further nominations, and there were none. Steve Kerber was **elected by acclamation**.

At this time it was agreed to go out of agenda order.

New Business

Jonathan Pettibone introduced Assistant Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management Scott Belobrajdic. Modifications to admission policy 1E1 for first-time full-time freshmen were presented by Scott Belobrajdic, as the first reading to the Faculty Senate. Scott will send the PowerPoint to be posted on the Faculty Senate Blackboard for Senators to distribute to departments and faculty. There was a question and answer session. After the first reading today the Faculty Senators will take these proposed modifications to the faculty in their departments and bring feedback to the whole Senate. The policy modifications/revisions will become an action item on the March agenda.

Past President: No report.

President Elect: No report.

Unfinished Business: none.

Adjournment: With no other business, Jonathan Pettibone adjourned the meeting at 4:38 p.m.

*Approved as amended March 3, 2011 by the Faculty Senate
Vicki Kruse/University Governance*