The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 2:31 p.m. on November 3, 2011 at the Morris University Center Mississippi Illinois Room by Jane Gillespie, President.


Excused: Jarrell, Thomeczek

Absent: Frick, Wendy Fuchs alt for S. Kirk, Seyer, Yan

Guests: Victoria Scott, Denise Cobb, Paul Rose, Jennifer Vandeveer, Jacob Dicus, John Layton

Announcements

Approval of Form 90s and 91s: Curriculum Council approved 8 Form 91s (program changes) and 55 Form 90s (new courses or changes). The list is posted on Blackboard.

Chancellor Search: President Poshard would like 10 names for the Chancellor’s Search. Send names to Jane considering representation from all the units and one from the Graduate School by November 10. From those 10 names the President and his designee will choose six for the committee. Jane still needs representation from Engineering and Dental areas and would like those names as soon as possible.

Parking & Traffic Committee: Bob Vanzo requested by letter, a faculty appointment to fill the upcoming open seat on the Parking & Traffic committee. Ryan Fries from the School of Engineering was appointed.

Dean’s Council: Jane Gillespie met with the Dean’s Council last week. Jane welcomed the Deans to meet with the Executive Committee at a meeting sometime. They are interested to see the work of the Senate conveyed to the faculty in an efficient and accurate manner. In response, the FSEC formed a task force, comprised of 3 Executive Committee members, to design a survey to gather information about how faculty want to receive information from the Senate and how the Senate can improve attendance at the All Faculty Meeting? The survey will have a question that addresses the topic of the All Faculty Meeting.
Guest Speakers: Victoria Scott, Denise Cobb and Paul Rose

**SET Implementation Continuous Review Committee:** Victoria Scott summarized the revisions of the SET Implementation of the Continuous Review Committee. The changes were based on suggestions made by the Faculty Senate at the last meeting.

The SET Implementation Plan and Considerations will become an action item on the December 1 Faculty Senate agenda.

**Approval of Minutes:** Corrections were made to the minutes. The minutes were accepted as amended. (Agustin/Wrobbel)

**Reports from Standing Committees**

**UPBC:** Timothy Schoenecker reported that the State of Illinois still owes SIUE $12 million for FY11.

**IBHE-FAC:** Adam Weyhaupt submitted a report and is filed with the minutes. Along with the report, Adam requested any information on purchasing requirements imposed by the State that may be causing problems for faculty in their work, be sent to him so he can report back to the committee.

**ATSIC:** Melissa Thomeczek submitted a report which will be posted on Blackboard and filed with the minutes.

**Video Surveillance Committee:** Steve Kerber reported that the group met during the summer and has not met this fall; therefore, there is no report. Welfare Council met on October 20 regarding the Video Surveillance Policy.

**Faculty Development Council:** Musonda Kapatamoyo reported that the Faculty Symposium is on video on the Faculty Development Council Web page (Faculty Senate Web site). The Council will be talking about a new policy for sharing information about EUE’s P.I.’s and this month will decide on a policy with consultation with the Provost. Musonda will follow up with a report back to the Senate.

**Graduate Council:** Marcus Agustin reported that four 91s with very minor changes were approved, 2 programs were approved for the student and faculty travel - permanently removed the matching grants from the units for each. A conditional admissions policy for International Students recommended by Steve Hanson a few years ago was approved.

**Curriculum Council:** Susan Wiediger reported the Lincoln Program Designations Committee has approved more course designation changes and these are posted on Blackboard. There was a recommendation made by the BRIDGE Implementation Committee that someone should look at the possibility of requiring C’s in all foundation courses as the minimum acceptable grade. Right now C’s are required in Eng 101 and 102 but other Skills courses it’s acceptable to pass with a D. The Curriculum Council discussed the possibility. After reviewing the Illinois Articulation Agreement and the General Education Core one cannot force transfers to require the minimum grade of C. And, while students can transfer in with a D, it would not be fair to require SIUE students to have a minimum grade of C. A decision was made not to pursue that as a requirement. C’s will still be required for Eng 101 and 102
**Rules & Procedures Council:** Morris Taylor reported that they are gathering information for the Form 91A regarding the department name change from Kinesiology and Health Education Department. The change needs to be well supported and work continues toward getting all the supporting documents for the form.

**Welfare Council:** Ken Moffett reported that the Welfare Council Operating Papers proposed revisions will have their first reading today. Ken reported a list of items they have been working on. The Welfare Council worked out how they would move forward on the Ombuds search and will bring it forward to the Faculty Senate Executive Committee next.

**Past President:** No report.

**President Elect:** No report.

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business**

**SET Implementation:** There was no further discussion; therefore will be an **action item** on the December 1 Faculty Senate agenda.

**Welfare Council Operating Papers proposed revisions:** Ken Moffett presented the revisions regarding number of members and an addition of language to reflect the addition of the Faculty Salary Equity Committee as a standing committee. After Ken answered a question, there was no further discussion. This will be an **action item** on the December 1 Faculty Senate agenda.

Jane Gillespie turned the floor over to Jennifer Vandever, Associate Vice Chancellor for Information Technology Services.

**Guest Speaker:** Jennifer Vandever

**Remote Access:** Jennifer explained what Remote Access is and provided a handout that was posted to Blackboard detailing the policy. Remote Access will be implemented building by building and ITS will follow-up during the first of the year for those who are not yet using it. Emails will be sent as the implementation progresses to different buildings. Jennifer answered questions and requested that if anyone had further questions are encouraged to email Jennifer directly.

Other things Jennifer shared are; the goal being to have Blackboard 9 running this fall and SharePoint will be available when Blackboard 9 is up.

**Adjournment:** Timothy Schoenecker made a motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 3:30 p.m.

*Approved as amended December 1, 2011 by the Faculty Senate.*

*Vicki Kruse/University Governance*
Here is an extended version of my report for tomorrow's senate meeting.

The last IBHE-FAC meeting was on October 14, 2011, at North Park University in Chicago.

To be honest, the meeting was considerably less productive that the previous two meetings I had attended. There were no legislators present to answer questions or discuss their views on higher education, and the IBHE Director was also not present.

1) Performance based funding: Again the bulk of the meeting centered on performance based funding (PBF). Unfortunately, both our representatives to the PBF steering committee were not present, and so it was difficult to understand exactly what current discussion is occurring at the PBF meetings. A major concern of the FAC continues to be the need for ensuring that quality is not compromised for the sake of increasing the number of graduates in Illinois. We also are concerned that students that transfer among institutions are not accurately counted and that institutions are not given the proper amount of "credit" for these students. There was an extended discussion regarding the "Public Agenda", this is the IBHE plan for the future of higher education. One component of this that seems to be driving most of the PBF discussion is the goal that 60% of Illinois residents will have "post-secondary credentials" by 2025 (currently about 42% of residents have a post-secondary credential). We discussed at length whether or not it is reasonable that this goal can be met.

2) Legislative update: We were addressed by Don Sevener, retiring IBHE Deputy Director for External Relations. A few issues relevant to higher education may be addressed during the veto session, but it is unclear if any will be acted on. Pensions is a particularly tough issue that probably will not be resolved during the veto session. Another issue is that the Illinois Student Assistance Commission is looking for special permission to spend some reserve funds it holds on student financial aid (about $30 million).

3) Public caucus: The public caucus discussed a few issues which we will gather more information on and report back at the next meeting.
   a) MAP (Monetary Award Program) is a financial aid grant to students from the State. To what extent is MAP funding being "used up" by students taking remedial courses at four year universities?
   b) Governors State University is in the initial stages of moving from a 2 year upper level university to a 4 year university. It is unclear how likely this is to happen and what the impact on state funding and surrounding schools would be.
   c) There have been anecdotal reports that new purchasing requirements imposed by the state are having a particularly adverse affect on universities. To what extent are public universities struggling with these requirements?

The next meeting is November 18 at Aurora University.

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ATSIC
The piloting of Digital Measures is continuing. ATSIC is currently working to identify all fields to be included before the program is launched, as it will be more difficult to add fields after the fact. ATSIC is getting feedback from all units within the university to ensure that all school/college needs are met.

As a reminder, the Digital Measures program allows the university to track faculty activity. It's not an assessment initiative. It's for college/school/individual professors use. Although this program will allow faculty members to organize information about their activities on-line for annual reporting and tenure-promotion purposes, we don’t definitively know how each School or College will approach its use for these purposes.

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