FACULTY SENATE MEETING
MISSISSIPPI ILLINOIS ROOM
MORRIS UNIVERSITY CENTER

Approved Minutes

February 2, 2012

The regular meeting of the Faculty Senate was called to order at 2:33 p.m. on February 2, 2012 at the Morris University Center Mississippi Illinois Room by Jane Gillespie, President.


Excused: Jarrell

Absent: Demirer, Hinz, Jason Yu alt for Kapatamoyo, Willmott, Yan

Guests: Sherrie Senkfor, John Navin

Announcements: John Navin, Chair of the Chancellors Search Committee announced the deadline for applications for the Chancellor Search as February 29, 2012. If anyone would like to share their thoughts important characteristics to see in the candidates, please, contact John. There will be eight to ten off campus interviews, then, possibly three to four candidates will be invited by President Poshard for campus interviews.

Form 91s and Form 90s are posted on Blackboard including the Form 91A for a departmental name change.

Jane Gillespie requested names to be considered for the IBHE FAC representative needed for a term beginning in the fall semester. Adam Weyhaupt has been serving as alternate for Martha Latorre, and her term will be up the end of spring semester in which Adam will not be serving after that.

The All Faculty Meeting will be March 1, 12:45-3:30. The topic will be “Crossing the BRIDGE to the Lincoln Program: A Demonstration of the Shared Governance Model,” Kathleen Tunney, Paul Brunkow, Zenia Agustin have agreed to present. Senators are to encourage their constituencies to attend. Round Tables will be used to talk about IS (Interdisciplinary Studies) and New Freshman Seminar in coordination with the Lincoln Program. A short Faculty Senate meeting will immediately follow the All Faculty Meeting at 3:30 p.m.

Consideration of Minutes: The December 1, 2011 minutes were corrected and accepted as amended (Wrobbel/Comrie).
Action Items

CC#13-11/12: General Education Requirements for Honors Scholars Students-1H2

The revised policy was approved.

CC#14-11/12: Transfer Equivalency for General Education Requirements-1H3

The revised policy was approved.

Reports from Standing Committees

UPBC: Timothy Schoenecker reported that the University budget is anticipated to be flat next year. The State of Illinois still owes SIUE about $20 million for FY12. UPBC will hear Vice Chancellor Emmanuel’s budget request next week.

IBHE: Adam Weyhaupt reported on performance measure weights to measure the university’s effectiveness.

ATSIC: No report

Video Surveillance Committee: Steve Kerber reported that work has moved forward and Sherrie Senkfor scheduled a meeting of the working committee. When Welfare Council and Administration are finished working on the policy, it will be presented to the Faculty Senate.

Faculty Development Council: Bryan Duckham reported that the search for the EUE Coordinator is still open. They are in the process of forming review panels to review the EUE proposals. Geert Palleman will begin review training at the next meeting on January 27. The Annual Faculty Symposium is to be held in January prior to spring semester. The topic has not been decided, yet, but retention has been suggested. The FDC operating papers are being revised to include TEAC (Teaching Excellence Award Committee) and could be a first read at the March or April Faculty Senate meeting.

Graduate Council: Marcus Agustin reported two approved program changes; Speech Language Pathology and Pharmacy. A new program in Healthcare Informatics was also approved. A new graduate school research initiative, the Strategic University Research Cluster Initiative (SURCI) grant was approved

Curriculum Council: Susan Wiediger reported that the Executive Committee approved a fast track approval process for programs for the Lincoln program in time for the catalog. The last of the Lincoln fast track course changes were approved. A list is posted on Blackboard. Survey on +/- grading had a good response from faculty and students.

Rules and Procedures Council: Morris Taylor reported on the approval of the Form 91A Department name change from the Speech Communication department and work continues for the Form 91A from Kinesiology Department as supporting documents are still needed.

At this time Ken Moffett introduced Sherry Senkfor to the Senate to report on changes to the faculty sick leave policy and a proposed change to the Worker’s Compensation policy. Sherrie also presented information about the new changes to the Employee Background Check process changes for pre-employment. The change
regarding background checks will be in effect as of April 1, 2012. There were questions and discussion. Sherrie will follow-up on the question about timing involved with the background checks during a search and interview for hiring faculty. A print copy of a PowerPoint presentation is filed with the minutes.

**Welfare Council:** Ken Moffett reported that work on the Ombuds Service policy was finished and it will be presented later as a first read. Work continues on TEAC moving to the Faculty Development Council and revisions to the Faculty Grievance Committee operating papers. Work continues on Family Leave policy, also.

**Past President:** Jonathan Pettibone reported that he, Ken Moffett and Jane Gillespie met with a member of ITS to get an RSS feed for the Faculty Senate web site. Be looking for information on that. At the end of spring 2011 a Shared Governance Task Force was formed and chaired by E. Duff Wrobbel to create a joint statement on Shared Governance between Provost Office and Faculty. The statement will be brought for a first reading at the next meeting.

**President Elect:** Rhonda Comrie reported on the survey that was sent out in December to faculty at large to gather information on how faculty wanted to hear from the Faculty Senate. Topic ideas for the All Faculty Meeting were requested. Rhonda reviewed answers from survey.

Rhonda attended the University Quality Council where AQIP projects are initiated. Rhonda reported on the Connections Now Staff Engagement AQIP project in which staff are currently involved in training to engage better with students and the Curriculum review process for program changes to be streamlined where the turn-around time will be shorter. Rhonda reported there are two new action projects; first the performing searches from departments with a focus on diversity, recruitment and retention of diverse faculty and then the second project being student retention.

**Unfinished Business:** None

**New Business**

The Undergraduate Proficiency Examination Policy – 1K4: Susan Wiediger, Curriculum Council Chair introduced the policy with revisions as a first reading. The policy is being modified for the Lincoln Program. It will be an action item on the March 1 agenda. A copy of the policy will be filed with the minutes.

Ombuds Service Policy: Ken Moffett, Welfare Council Chair introduced revisions to the Ombuds Service Policy which is included in the Faculty Handbook as a first reading. A copy of the revisions will be filed with the minutes.

**Adjournment:** With no further business the meeting was adjourned (Jain/Moffett)

*March 1, 2012 approved as submitted by the Faculty Senate*

*Vicki Kruse/University Governance*