The Faculty Senate regular meeting was called to order at 2:32 p.m. on May 3, 2018, in the Mississippi Illinois Rooms in the Morris University Center by Marcus Agustin, President.


Excused: Moffett, Shavezipur, Siganga

Absent: Carter, Lyerla, Popkess, Yousef

Guests: Matt Schunke, Maureen Bell-Werner, Jessica Harris, Tom Jordan, Eric Ruckh

Announcements
- SIU Board of Trustees Meeting – July 12, Springfield
- Open Meetings Act

Consideration of Minutes
A. April 5, 2018 Approved as submitted

Action Items
A. Revisions to Policy 1Q4 (Military Service Learning Credit) Brought forth by Curriculum Council Chair Rice. Approved unanimously.

B. General Education Proposal - Brought forth by Curriculum Council Chair Rice. FST/IS Proposal Summary is filed with minutes.

Matthew Schunke, Maureen Bell-Werner, Jessica Harris (General Education Committee) were available for questions.

Wrobbel moved to suspend the rules to conduct the meeting as a committee.

A point of order was made to time 30 minutes for free flowing discussion with guests who are invitees of a Senate member. Seconded by Love

A vote was taken (2/3) 46 in favor and 3 against and motion carried.

2:43 p.m. The discussion began.

3:14 p.m. The discussion ended.

Pettibone moved to allow 15 minutes for guests to speak since they did not speak previously. It was seconded by Barrow. The motion carried.

Public speakers
1. Eric Ruckh
2. Cathy Daus

Resumed to regular meeting at 3:34 p.m.

Pettibone moved to amend:

In Fall 2018, the NFT and IS faculty-led committees will present to the General Education Committee a proposed policy change to University Policy 1H1 that reflects: 1) the changes to the New Freshman Seminar, including a model syllabus for the course and 2) the IS requirement contained in the summary document presented to the Senate today. Approved policy changes would be forwarded to Curriculum Council and to the Faculty Senate.

S. Brown seconded. There was discussion. An amendment was offered to de couple FST and IS, but not accepted by mover Pettibone.

The question was called by Lovata and seconded by Barrow with 36 in favor and 0 against.

The amendment passed: 27 in favor with 8 against

Clarification given at this time

It was moved to vote immediately by Sokolowski and seconded by S. Brown on the amended proposal and passed with 36 in favor and 0 against.
The motion for the proposal amended passed with 25 in favor and 9 against.

C. Revisions to Policy 1R2 (Honors Program) brought forth by Curriculum Council Chair Rice and passed unanimously
   Eric Ruckh, Honors Program Director was available for questions.

Unfinished Business
A. SIU System Budget Reallocation – President Agustin introduced the resolution from the executive committee.
   a) Proposed Faculty Senate Resolution on SIU System Restructuring (from Faculty Senate Executive Committee and Welfare Council) - There was a discussion.

   Osouli moved to amend the resolution by adding the statement at the end:
   “Increase the funding allocated to Southern Illinois University Edwardsville and if that is not possible to support the separation of SIUE from the SIU System.”
   Seconded by Essner. There was discussion. The motion failed with 4 in favor and 27 opposed.

   Huyck moved to approve the original resolution proposed. Seconded by S. Brown. Approved with 32 in favor and 3 oppose.

   Agustin will send a copy of the resolution to the SIUE Chancellor, SIU president, SIU Board of Trustees, Illinois Governor, legislators and reporters. He welcomed further discussion about public comment at the July Board of Trustees meeting.

New Business
A. Display changes to Policy 1H1 were presented by Curriculum Council Chair Rice. She clarified that there are no changes to policy, only display changes. The changes were approved unanimously.

B. Annual Evaluation of SIUE Chancellor and SIUE Provost: Rules and Procedures Council Chair De Meo explained each of the evaluation results. After proper time to review and share with constituents, the evaluation will be filed with University Archives.

C. General Education Committee Chair for 2018-2019
   a) Matthew Schunke was approved

D. Slate of new members of General Education Committee
   a) Rakesh Bharati was approved to serve from the School of Business. A CAS member is pending the CAS elections and will be approved in the fall.

E. Council Chairs for 2018-2019 Slate was approved
   a) Curriculum Council – Laurie Rice
   b) Faculty Development Council – Shadrack Msengi
   c) Rules and Procedures Council – Wai Cheah
   d) Welfare Council – Dan Segrist

Reports from Standing Committees (Read on SharePoint before the Senate meeting)
A. UPBC: Nancy Lutz reported that the UPBC is a twelve month committee which meets over the summer as needed. Last Friday they met with Doug Mclltagga. On May 18 they will meet with School of Pharmacy Dean Gupchup and School of Dental Medicine Dean Rotter. On June 8 they will meet with Vice Chancellor for University Advancement Rachel Stack.

B. IBHE Faculty Advisory Council: Susan Wiediger submitted a report on SharePoint and requested any questions. Wiediger had no information on a question asked about Lewis and Clark Community College and a four year nursing degree but a senator gave information about the Senate Bill 888 being considered. Wiediger reported that she will not be at the May IBHE FAC meeting but Shelly Goebl-Parker, will attend and be able to ask for the status on this topic.

Reports from Council Chairs (Read on SharePoint before the Senate meeting)
A. Curriculum Council: Laurie Rice thanked all the council members for their hard work and reported that a secondary education packet was rushed through last week. Rice expressed appreciation for those who worked on that to get it done.

B. Faculty Development Council: Suman Mishra submitted a report for SharePoint and is filed with the minutes.

C. Graduate Council: Mary Sue Love submitted a report for SharePoint. It is filed with the minutes. Ed Navarre will be chair next year.
D. Rules and Procedures Council: Cristina De Meo reported that the council is losing one of their members to retirement. Congratulated Charles Thornton.

E. Welfare Council: Stephen Kerber and Dan Segrist – Kerber reported that in the past year Faculty Salary Equity committee has not been allowed to carry out their function, because they are dependent on data provided from Institutional Research. Institutional Research apparently has not been authorized to give the Welfare Council the data to do their work. Welfare Council next year needs to pursue that. If the non-sharing of data is related to faculty association, then the data would still be needed for the two schools who are not included; School of Pharmacy and School of Dental Medicine.

F. Past-President: Jeffrey Sabby – no report

G. President-Elect: Sorin Nastasia reported that he has been a part of the discussions for strategic planning for the future of the University which will a discussion of goals and equity.

H. President: Marcus Agustin submitted a report to SharePoint and it is filed with the minutes. Agustin expressed appreciation to all the faculty for their service on the Faculty Senate. He also expressed appreciation to Vicki Kruse, governance secretary with kind words and cards from senators on her retirement.

Public Comment: Host Annual meeting for Illinois Geographical Society last weekend. Western and Eastern Illinois Universities attended. Attendees were amazed at SIUE, their new buildings and its beauty. Over 75 people attended from Lincoln land, Chicago and other areas. The strength of the university was obvious to the attendees. UPBC Chair Lutz thanked Agustin for his service as president of Faculty Senate this year.

Adjournment: With no other business, the meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.
Having surveyed the faculty and presented options at the All Faculty meeting, the General Education Committee recommends the following changes to the New Freshman Seminar (NFS) and Interdisciplinary Studies (IS) requirements of the General Education Program. The goals of these recommendations are to better prepare students for academic expectations and success and to expand IS offerings without compromising the interdisciplinary nature of those courses.

These recommendations are preliminary. If approved, the General Education Committee would work with faculty to implement the changes, including developing the First Semester Transition (FST) syllabus, recruit and train faculty to teach the FST, and create assessment models for the courses.

In place of the current requirement that students take a course that has the NFS experience attribute, the committee proposes creating a new course titled First Semester Transition that would be taken during a student’s first semester at SIUE. The course would have the following characteristics:

- 1 credit course that meets 1 hour for 15 weeks
- 20-25 students/section
- Faculty teach 3 sections of FST per semester
- Structured syllabus that follows a progression to maximize benefit to students
- The course would be pass/no credit

A dedicated First Semester Transition potentially incorporates a recognized high-impact practice into our curriculum. The committee believes it would help students to make the transition to the college environment both academically and socially and provide students a faculty member to help them transition to SIUE. We also feel the dedicated course would do this more effectively than the current model of incorporating NFS material into a content course.

In place of the current requirements for IS courses, we propose a hybrid model that would expand IS offerings. The course characteristics would be as follows.

- Breadth courses that clearly have interdisciplinary content would be able to carry IS attribute. These courses would be taught by one instructor with the same cap as the breadth course currently carries. Departments would have the discretion to determine which courses they would like to offer and apply to have these courses carry the IS attribute.
- All IS courses would have the completion of foundation courses as a prerequisite.
- Team-taught courses (existing or new) that demonstrate effectiveness would also carry the IS attribute.
- In both cases, the IS course would count as a breadth requirement. Courses will carry one breadth attribute.
- A key component of IS courses would be a collaborative project that addresses a problem related to the course content and that requires students to think about the content from the perspective of different disciplines. This has the potential to incorporate a recognized high-impact practice into the course, allowing more of our students to participate in these practices. The project could also include other high-impact practices such as a service-learning component.

**IBHE-FAC report for the SIUE Faculty Senate meeting on 3 May 2018**
The IBHE-FAC met on 20 April 2018 at Eastern Illinois University in Charleston, Illinois.

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1 For more on high-impact practices see: https://www.aacu.org/leap/hips
EIU President David Glassman welcomed the FAC; his first day as EIU president was the first day of the budget impasse in Illinois (1 June 2015). EIU’s enrollment was falling, and over time has fallen from 12,000 to just over 7,000. The budget situation forced changes which led to a campus-wide Visualization Project. This used multiple work groups composed of all constituencies to be highly collaborative, utilize shared governance, and seek success in a short time frame, creating synergies that could be implemented quickly. A website updated quarterly reports on progress toward the recommendations. Their freshmen fall enrollment will be up by double digits. Fighting fall reports in social media is extremely difficult.

EIU Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs Jay Gatrell expanded the discussion of the Visualization Project, talking about the new unit alignments (new unified college for liberal arts and sciences, two new schools), sharper mission, and other changes. The unions have been engaged with the discussions.

Marie Donovan, FAC Chair, discussed a House bill that got suddenly passed that week about compressing teacher preparation programs. She distributed copies of the bill and information about how representatives voted. Shawn Schumacher, FAC Vice-chair, discussed upcoming meetings. Steve Rock, FAC Secretary, discussed rotations and next year’s possible hosts for meetings. Steve DePasquale, Diane Dean, and Adam Tournier agreed to serve on the Elections Committee for FAC.

Gretchen Lohman, IBHE staff liaison, introduced two new IBHE staff persons, Sophia Gehlhausen and Amy Spies, who are both Assistant Directors in Academic Affairs (analysts). Kim Midden, a new administrative assistant, was also hired. Gretchen reported that Al Bowman, IBHE Executive Director, is sensing that a twelve-month budget seems probable and shared a legislative sheet prepared by Jaimee Ray. The IBHE is opposing Vocational Academy Opportunity Act: HB 4495, 3-Year Teaching Degree: HB 4956, and Religious Institution Exemption: HB 5067.

Caucus reports: Private and Proprietaries reported on caucus membership positions and their discussions about the religious exemption and teacher prep bills. They are crafting a document opposing the teacher prep degree to be endorsed and sent out by the FAC. They also gave feedback about the Public Caucus liberal arts document, including revising the tone to be more student centered. Community Colleges reported concerns about the teacher prep bill to be included in the opposition and support for the Public caucus liberal arts document. Publics also provided suggestions regarding the teacher prep bill. Steve Rock shared details from the WIU vote of no confidence in the administration and vote of union members to authorize a strike due to lack of agreement on a contract. Concerns about the Discovery Partners Institute initiative were raised – specifically, the source of the funding and the possible impacts on higher education.

The next IBHE-FAC meeting is 20 May 2018 at the Illinois Association of School Boards in Springfield, Illinois. With regards, Susan D. Wiediger, representative for SIUE to the IBHE-FAC. Shelly Goebl-Parker, SIUE alternate, was also present, so for more information about any of these items, please contact either of us at swiedig@siue.edu or egoeblp@siue.edu.

FSCC Report
Chair: Laurie Rice
The Curriculum Council met on April 19, 2018.

- The Curriculum Council voted to approve a display change to Policy 1H1 (General Education)
- The Curriculum Council considered program reviews for Art and Design and Music. Both programs were determined to be in good standing with enrollment sustainable at present levels.
- The Curriculum Council approved the following leadership for next year:
  - Laurie Rice, Chair, Curriculum Council
  - Faith Liebl, Chair, Academic Standards and Policies Committee
  - Debra Jenkins, Chair, Undergraduate Course Committee
  - Chair of Undergraduate Programs Committee still pending
- The Council received reports from its committees
- The Council discussed the proposed changes to General Education after an ex officio member questioned whether there should have been a policy change prior to or in conjunction with this proposal.

Faculty Development Council
Missouri Room

Absent: Kim Carter, Nicole Klein, Jafar Darabi, Juliet Gray, Matthew Schmitz, Joseph Sokolowski and Yuping Zeng.

1. Approval of the minutes from the previous meeting (03/15/2018)

2. Midweek Mentor activities: Midweek Mentor topics were selected for the next academic year through a survey result, and potential discussion leaders were identified for the topics.

3. Next FDC Chair has been nominated. Faculty senate will vote on Shadrack Msengi’s nomination.

4. No other activities.

Meeting adjourned at 3:05pm

Graduate Council Report

The Graduate Council met on April 19, 2018.

Programs committee presented reviews of Sociology, Industrial Engineering and Instructional Technology programs as well as slight changes to the MBA admissions process.

ERP reported on reviews of GR1718-14 1Q8, Implementation and Administrative Responsibility Policy and GR1718-13 1M8, Cost Sharing on Sponsored Projects.

The following individuals were elected to the Research and Development committee:
- Art and Humanities, Joaquin Berrocal
- Physical Sciences and Engineering, Michael Shaw
- Social Science, Business, and Education, Alice Ma.

The following individuals were elected to the Research and Projects Advisory Board:
- Maria Kontoyianni, School of Pharmacy.
- Kevin Christopher Rowland, School of Dental Medicine.

We meet again May 3 at 1 PM.

4-24-2018
Our Welfare Council report is that work on the new proposed resolution occupied our entire meeting. No other business was conducted.

Thanks,

Steve