

Minutes
Faculty Senate Executive Committee
Monday, April 25, 2011

1. Chair Alan Stolzenberg called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Bluestone Room, Mountainair.

Members Present:

Bastress, R.	Clements, J.	Hartman, K.	Petty, T.
Bilgesu, I.	Cottrell, L.	Kershner, R.	Stolzenberg, A.
Butcher, F.	DiBartolomeo, L.	Nutter, R.	Urbanski, J.
Clark, N.	Griffith, R.	Peace, G.	

Members Absent:

Abate, M.	Wheatly, M.	Strife, M.
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Guests:

Campione, R.	Lang, A. (DA)	Morales, J.
Dean, R.	Mazzella, D. (NIS)	

2. It was moved to approve the minutes from the March 28, 2011 meeting after amending item 8, last sentence, to read “Professor Clark said that this should be named as a procedure, rather than a policy.” It was duly seconded. Motion carried.
3. President Clements said he’d just come from the groundbreaking for the new outdoor rec and field space outside the Rec Center. Improving the fields outside of St. Francis, the Medical Complex, and having a partnership with Mylan Park for recreation facilities and club sports was approved by the BOG last fall.

He also said:

- The Research Search Committee is hard at work. They are close to finalizing a job description. He encouraged everyone to help recruit candidates.
- They are working on the budget. He’s met with Narvel Weese to go over a budget proposal for next year. He is 100% committed to pay raises.
- The WVU 4-H program was recognized as the 2011 National Collegiate 4-H Club of the Year. This is the highest possible honor; number one in the country. This past week several students traveled to Atlanta to accept the award while others stayed back to participate in the Relay for Life.
- Last week he announced a million dollar gift for childhood diabetes work. It was a gift from the Mike Ross Family Foundation. It will help support treatment and education for children with diabetes and their families. \$400,000 for research will be matched by the State.
- The Business Plan competition was held last week. Two of the winning teams were WVU students.

- On a personal note, he said that it's been good work with Chair Stolzenberg this past year and that he has done a great job. He's looking forward to working with Chair-elect Lesley Cottrell.

4. Associate Provost Russ Dean reported that:

- The Provost's Office has been very busy with the preparation of graduation. Questions are coming in from colleges about the process for certification. They've also been dealing with the ceremonies.
- It's been a busy year for deans' reviews. A five-year review on Maryanne Reed was completed in the fall; they're working on the five-year review of Gene Cilento from CEMR. They started something new this year; they'll do three-year reviews on new deans. It's just developmental, not as extensive as the five-year reviews. It's done with the internal constituents of the college. Joyce McConnell (Law) and Dee Hopkins (HRE) are undergoing those reviews now.
- In the Davis College, the dean's search is being re-launched. They've gone out to the various constituent groups – the faculty, the staff, etc, for recommended names to serve on the search committee. The search committee will be appointed within the next week or two. The Provost also hopes to have an interim dean announced within the next week or two.
- The promotion and tenure process is currently underway.

5. Chair Stolzenberg discussed the Alcohol Policy. He said he met with Oliver Luck in February, when Mr. Luck was meeting with different groups around campus trying to get input into the proposed changes. He said that part of this is an effort to try to change behaviors around the stadium, mainly the pass out policy. He said the pass out policy has become very problematic for a lot of reasons: number one being that it's almost impossible to have any security to have people checked as they come back in; encouraging people to binge drink outside; and in the past year attendance after the half has really gone down. Chair Stolzenberg said that he had several concerns about that: there'd have to be good enforcement of the sales so that it's well controlled and to have good enforcement so that if there are problems in the stands that their responded too and taken care of. He also believes that if they are going to do this, pricing should be reasonable. He feels that this policy could potentially work, but he also sees that there may be more problems rather than fewer. But, given the extent of binge drinking that there is and the fact that with the pass out system now there is no security coming back in, this could be an improvement. He said steps are also going to be taken to minimize smoking of people standing near the Plexiglas at the top of the boxes.

6. Professor Todd Petty moved for approval of the following SCC reports:

Annex I, New Courses and Course Changes. Professor Petty will check to make sure PHAR 756 does not overlap the PUBH Research Methods course and that Tech's Pavement Design course be dropped. Motion carried.

Annex II, Certificate Proposal for CDFS. Motion carried.

Annex III, Proposal for a Major in General Business. Motion carried.

Annex IV, Alteration Report, was presented for information.

7. Professor Lisa DiBartolomeo moved for approval of Annex V, GEC Actions. Motion carried. Annex VI, GEC Audits, was submitted for information.
8. Chair Stolzenberg moved for endorsement of Annex VII, a document submitted by the Committee on Committees, Membership and Constituencies that: 1. Revises the charge of the Curriculum and Student Instruction Committees; 2. Changes the number of members on the Student Rights and Responsibilities Committee; and, 3. Recommends that WVU-Tech and Potomac State have representatives on the Curriculum GECO, Student Instruction, SEI, and Faculty Welfare Committees. Motion carried.
9. Associate Provost Elizabeth Dooley led a discussion for approval of an academic calendar for 2012-2013 and 2013-2014. She submitted two calendars for each year, one with a fall break and one without. Professor Clark moved “that we accept the report and attached sample calendars from this committee and that we ask all deans and chairs, by supplying them with this report, to tell us whether it is possible or impossible for them to comply with such a break”. Motion carried. The information will be due by the first fall Executive Committee meeting. It was moved and duly seconded to approve Annex IX, Proposed Academic Calendar for 2012-2013. Motion carried.
10. Professor Nigel Clark had a handout that listed relevant excerpts from the Strategic Plan that included goals, objectives, and actions. He also said that round tables are being established to advance the Plan. He requested that a senate committee, perhaps the Student Instruction Committee, be involved to advance the curriculum. Chair Stolzenberg and Chair-elect Cottrell will meet with next year’s chair of the SIC and discuss this with them.

11. New business:

Chair Stolzenberg said that he announced at the last Faculty Senate meeting that we have to elect an ACF representative every spring and asked that people e-mail him their interest. Professor Roy Nutter was the only person who showed interest. It was moved and duly seconded that Professor Nutter be re-elected to the position. Motion carried, with one abstention.

Professor Nutter asked that an alternate be appointed. Chair Stolzenberg will bring this up at the next Faculty Senate meeting.

Associate Provost Jonathan Cumming had two handouts, one regarding the Incomplete Grading Policy for Graduate Students and the other Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory Grading Policy for Graduate Students. These policies will be discussed at the next Executive Committee meeting.

Professor Ruth Kershner asked if the change in the orientation course discussed how it instructed students about sexual assault and sexual harassment. Associate Provost Dooley said they’re running a first year academy for first time, full time freshmen starting in the fall and part of that content is covered in this 2-day fall academy. An Alcohol 101 course is also on-line prior to students coming to campus.

12. The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m. to reconvene on Monday, May 23, 2011.