

Minutes
Faculty Senate Executive Committee
Monday, May 21, 2012

1. Chair-elect Michael Mays called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Bluestone Room, Mountainlair.

Members Present:

Clements, J.	Kershner, R.	Nutter, R.	Tuninetti, A.
Elmore, S.	Kleist, V.	Orlikoff, J.	Wheatly, M.
Griffith, R.	Mays, M.	Strife, M.	

Members Absent:

Bastress, R.	Butcher, F.	Curtis, R.	Stolzenberg, A.
Bilgesu, I.	Cottrell, L.	DiBartolomeo, L.	

Guests:

Clark, N.	Lastinger, M.	Stump, J. (NIS)
Lang, A. (DP)	Lee, P.	

2. It was moved and duly seconded to approve the minutes from the April 23, 2012 meeting.
Motion carried.
3. President Clements reported that:
 - The *Charleston Gazette* had a nice article about Sandy Elmore being inducted into the Glenville State College Curtis Elam Athletic Hall of Fame. He congratulated Sandy.
 - He attended the National Extension and Research Administrators Conference this morning at the Waterfront Hotel. 50 states were represented; 450-500 people were there. He had a chance to brag about the University and Extension team. Many universities are cutting extension extensively; we are not. Peter McGrath was a keynote speaker.
 - Chelsea Hodgkins is our 9th Boren Scholar. This is our 6th Boren Scholar in the last four years. She'll be studying in Ghana, working on a clean drinking water project for a small village.
 - This year we've had three Fulbrights, two Goldwaters, one Truman, and one Boren scholar.
 - The WVU human powered vehicle team finished at number seven in the international competition. The team members are from Mechanical and Aerospace Engineering Department. The team also won the Energizer Bunny Award.
 - WVU Press won two awards by the Independent Publisher.
 - He'll be spending a lot of time working on the capital campaign so he'll be away from campus more. Last week there was a \$425M software gift to the Statler College. He believes we are well positioned to move forward.
4. Provost Wheatly reported that:
 - She thanked everyone for all their efforts over commencement weekend.

- Her goal for the year was to get the HLC reaccreditation process airborne. We have a steering committee under her direction but led by Elizabeth Dooley and representation from Health Sciences. We have a planning group that is now moving into accreditation and planning under the leadership of Elizabeth Hamilton and Nigel Clark. They have identified points of contact in all colleges. Tech is going through HLC reaccreditation as well.
- Summer is a good time in Academic Affairs for catch-up on one hand and getting ahead on the other.
- She took the two Goldwater Scholars out to lunch today. Tonia Ahmed and Jessica Carr, both STEM women.
- She is beginning her performance evaluations of all academic deans and everyone who reports to her. This is an extended process where deans will be expected to align their goals with the strategic plan goals, and then she'll issue the academic community a report card with bench marks showing them quantitatively where they've come up in the past year.
- For goal one, which is to provide students with a meaningful education experience while here, we will thinking about how we can best structure Academic Affairs to optimize the success of both undergraduate and graduate students.
- Goal two is growing the research of faculty. The spring Council of Deans retreat was called "Mountains of Excellence". Deans were asked to identify areas of research, or scholarships that were great but could be outstanding if given more resources. They came up with a recommendation for the next 20 faculty lines. Areas identified:
 1. Radio astronomy – two lines. Earl Scime will lead the discussion.
 2. STEM Education – four lines. Robert Jones will lead this discussion.
 3. Eliminating Health Disparities – 4 lines. Dana Brooks will lead this initiative. Glen Dillon will represent the HSC.
 4. Energy – ten lines. Specifically the Shale gas usage and secure fresh water supply. Gene Cilento will be tasked with working with the group to define the energy lines and Dan Roverson will work on the fresh water lines.
- Goal three, the diversity goal. One of the initiatives was the developing women leaders program where about 30 women in leadership positions were identified and given the opportunity to have eight hours of executive coaching with coaches from Harvard. If it's decided that this worked and was a good idea this initiative will be offered across the campus. The Provost will be going to Harvard Graduate School to present this at their summer symposium.
- Goal four, the internationalization/globalization goal. The first report from the global engagement roundtable recommended that we develop a one-stop shop in terms of organization and location and that we need to do international global stuff more efficiently and affectively. She will be traveling with a delegation to China with two purposes: visiting a number of engagements in the forestry area and business/finance.
- Goal five, community engagement. She will be drafting a position description for a person to lead the community engagement/public service and outreach type of work from her office.

5. Chair-elect Mays presented Chair Cottrell's report:

- She and Chair-elect Mays met with Senate committee chairs and chair-elects about the goals and progress the committees had made.
 - She was at three graduation ceremonies for the honorary degree recipients. Chair-elect Mays attended one ceremony.
 - Jennifer MacIntosh asked that the social justice statement report be deferred because she wants to run the language by legal first.
 - Mary Strife reported that Library senator Gordon Ernst passed away unexpectedly last week. Mary Strife moved and it was seconded that the Faculty Senate Executive Committee approves a resolution recognizing the passing of Gordon Ernst who was a Library Senator. Motion carried.
6. Jennifer Orlikoff, Chair, Senate Curriculum Committee moved for approval of the following reports:
- Annex I, New Courses and Course Changes. Motion carried.
 - Annex II, Capstone Request for COUN 415. Motion carried.
 - Annex III, Communications Studies Program Change Proposal. Motion carried.
 - Annex IV, The Alteration Report, was submitted for information.
7. Jennifer Orlikoff moved for approval of the following General Education Curriculum Oversight Committee report:
- Annex V, GEC Actions. Motion carried.
 - Annex VI, GEC Audits, were submitted for information.
 - Annex VII, 2011-12 Committee Report and 2012-13 Committee Goals. Accepted.
8. 2011-12 Committee Report and 2012-13 Committee Goals were submitted:
- Annex VIII, from Faculty Welfare Committee. Accepted.
 - Annex IX, Research and Scholarship Committee. Accepted.
 - Annex X, Committee of Retired Faculty. Accepted.
 - Annex XI, Service Committee. Accepted.
 - Annex XII, Student Rights and Responsibilities Committee. Accepted.
9. Roy Nutter, ACF representative, reported that:
- Paul Hill has been selected as Chancellor of the HEPC.
 - There's concern about the 20% max for tenure track faculty at two-years schools.
 - The ACF retreat will be in July.
10. Bob Griffith, BOG representative, reported that:
- The Tech Revitalization Committee met last Tuesday. At that meeting, the academic sub-committee made recommendations on acceptance of Tech's plan's to offer teacher certifications in grades 7-12 in math and science, looking into proposals for a Minor in Adventure Sports Management, and that the HEPC accept the recommendation for funding the student success center. These recommendations

were accepted by the Committee. The HEPC approved them at their meeting on Thursday.

- HEPC member David Hendrickson, chair of the Revitalization Committee, pushed for Tech to boost their on-line programs substantially. Tech has gone from 6 on-line programs last year to 13 this year. 20 Tech faculty have enrolled in the Quality Matters program to learn to teach on-line programs.
- Sandy Elmore recognized Bob's work on this committee. She said the outcomes of the committee's work are vital to Tech's future.

11. New Business: President Clements just received confirmation that former head football coach Bill Stewart passed away this afternoon after a massive heart attack.

12. The meeting adjourned at 4:05 p.m. to reconvene on Monday, August 27, 2012.

Mary Strife
Faculty Secretary