

Minutes  
Faculty Senate Executive Committee  
Monday, August 24, 2009

1. Chair Nigel Clark called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. in the President's Conference Room, Stewart Hall. As this was a new year, everyone introduced themselves.

Members Present:

Atkins, C.	Clements, J.	Kleist, V.	Perone, M.
Bilgesu, I.	Dean, R.	McDiarmid, M.	Stolzenberg, A.
Boyles, J.	Dooley, E.	Nutter, R.	Strife, M.
Clark, N.	Kirby, B.	Olson, K.	Wilson, C.B.

Members Absent:

Cottrell, L.	Cumming, J.	Jackowitz, A.	Martin, J.
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Guests:

Griffith, R	Kite, S.	Maunz, S. (DA)	Shaner, C. (DP)
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2. President Clements commented that it was a thrill to see all the student energy on campus today. The New Student Convocation on Sunday for about 4,700 freshmen went very well. He likes to walk around campus on the first day and pop into a few classes to say thank you to the professors for what they do, which he did today. We had three excellent finalists for the HSC Chancellor's search and the process went very well. The Provost Search Committee has identified three strong candidates who will be on campus for interviews in the two weeks. He will listen to the search committee and read the comments because he wants someone who will fit the campus well, have broad support, and can move the campus forward. He encourages us to participate in the forums and submit comments. He attended an HEPC retreat last Friday and Saturday. Enrollment numbers are encouraging. Lots of graduate and transfer students. Our peers are weighted toward graduate programs so he sees the increase as positive. Although the higher numbers are encouraging, the faculty student ration is too high.

Carolyn Atkins voiced concern that students have trouble finding scholarships to apply for. She has one in her parents' names and was surprised to learn that there is no central site that a potential student can go to see what is available at WVU. President Clements thinks that should be an easy fix.

The CIO search has been restarted and we are close to finalizing an offer.

3. Associate Provost Dean reported on the freshman class numbers, which are down but about where they expected. Quality profile is the same. Families made decisions at the last minute to enroll their child. The graduate numbers went up. Residence halls are

opening with virtually no empty bed. Potomac State has a record enrollment of almost 1,800. It is expected that WVU-Tech will have a higher enrollment.

Nine classrooms were renovated over the summer: three in Percival, three in Stansbury, and three in Woodburn. Total cost was around \$2 million.

4. It was moved and duly seconded to approve the May 18, 2009, Executive Committee minutes. Motion carried.
5. Minutes from the June 8, 2009 Faculty Senate meeting were reviewed.
6. Report from Faculty Senate Chair: He also approves of the choice of HSC Chancellor. HEPC training was attended by Nigel and Bob Griffith. This year's senate will have opportunities to discuss issues that are relevant to this institution. Resources and efficiencies are important to any direction we would want to go. The CRAP committee is moving ahead. Some items submitted are not policies or procedures. Incidents cannot be dealt with unless they are connected to a policy or procedure. He asks us to spread the word. There needs to be institutional support to collect information on policies and procedures.
7. Ilkin Bilgesu, Chair, Curriculum Committee, moved for approval and acceptance of the following SCC Reports:  
  
Annex I. New Courses and Course Changes. Motion carried.  
Annex II. For Information – Alterations Report.
8. Beverly Kirby, Chair, General Education Curriculum Oversight Committee moved for approval and acceptance of the following Reports:  
  
Annex III. GEC Actions. Motion carried.  
Annex IV. Revision of GEC Statement. The document was sent back to the committee for clarification and examples. The red-lined page should be submitted the next time so all can understand the changes.  
  
Beverly found the original document describing writing course requirements.
9. Steve Kite, came to report on the CCCP. He recommended renewal of the ad-hoc committee for 2009-2010. Membership on the committee may be reconfigured. Motion made to continue the committee. Motion carried.
10. Roy Nutter reported on the ACF. We were basically unsuccessful with legislation to get anything accomplished. But we did get their attention. He distributed the ACF report card for the past fiscal year.
11. For Information: Faculty Senate Committee List for 2009-2010.

12. Faculty Senate Constitution: We need to decide the depth of the changes we want to make and how much consideration is needed for each type of change. Settling the details of the second BOG representative is the most pressing issue. Handout of some possible changes was distributed. Discussion centered on the terms for the BOG representatives and when the Chair of the Faculty Senate is one of the representatives. A straw vote was taken to determine if both terms should be staggered/2 year terms or if the chair should have a one year term with the other BOG representative serving for two years. The former received the most votes. It was also decided that one rep could be a senate chair. Steve is in charge with coming up with language for this. Steve asks us to look at other items for discussion in October. The definition of who is in the assembly needs to be made clearer than it is now. E-voting for the assembly could be an option depending on the issue.
13. Speakers for future meetings will be discussed at the next meeting. Bruce Sparks is coming in September.
14. No new business.
15. The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. to reconvene Monday, September 28, 2009.

Mary Strife  
Faculty Secretary