

Minutes  
Faculty Senate Executive Committee  
April 24, 2006

1. Chair-elect Parviz Famouri called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. in the President's Conference Room, Stewart Hall.

Members present:

Dean, R.	Hardesty, D.	Kershner, R.	Nutter, R.
Elmore, S.	Hornak, L.	Mays, M.	Strife, M.
Famouri, P.	Jackowitz, A..	McDiarmid, M.	Wilson, C.B.

Members absent:

Adkins, C.	Lang, G.	Torsney, C.
Butcher, F.	Lastinger, M.	

Guests:

Bilgesu, I.	Kuhlman, J.	Smith, G. (D.P.)
Held, J.	Ruppert, S. (D.A.)	

2. President Hardesty reported that the Board of Governors approved the process that will be followed to create divisional status for WVU-Tech. The process is very similar to the one used for Potomac State College. There will be a steering committee with a charge to oversee the transition and develop agreements and policies necessary to put the two campuses closer together. Specific tasks include: insuring the high quality of academic programs, developing strategies to grow enrollment, etc. There is a timeframe to complete the plan, and the major issues to be addressed include: physical plant, public safety, IT, food services, business affairs, academic programs, student life, etc.

President Hardesty also said that a new Student Code of Conduct related to disciplinary proceedings on campus was adopted by the Board. A copy of this policy is filed in the Faculty Senate Office.

President Hardesty said that Board procedures have changed. The committees now meet sequentially so that Board members can attend other committee meetings and listen to other issues debated.

President Hardesty said that 1.8 million dollars has been put into Tech's base budget. The plan is to use part of that to build a bond issue to refurbish some of their buildings. Professor Sandy Elmore, Tech representative, thanked President Hardesty and all the administration for their support of Tech.

President Hardesty reported that because of higher costs in higher education and limited amounts of state funds, a tuition raise was approved was 7.5%. Even with the tuition increase, WVU is still very competitive to Penn State, Virginia, Rutgers, and others for in-state as well as out-of-state tuition.

3. It was moved and duly seconded to approve the minutes from the March 27, 2006 meeting. Motion carried.
  4. Chair-elect Famouri said that he attended the Board of Governor's meeting. Student Body President D. J. Casto made a presentation; the faculty are scheduled to make a presentation in June. Chair Lastinger will be unable to attend the June meeting so his presentation may be postponed until August.
  5. The Committee reviewed the minutes from the March 13<sup>th</sup> Faculty Senate meeting. The Faculty Secretary will revise the last item under new business, noting that Professor Karwowski was recognized by Senator Mays and that no motion was made. Motion carried.
  6. Professor Mike Mays, Chair, Senate Curriculum Committee, moved for approval of the following Curriculum Committee reports:

Annex I, New Courses and Course Changes. Page 5, SPED 612, Resp might pose a problem, suggested changing title; and in the rationale, change "sever" to "severe". Motion carried.

Annex II, Physical Education Teacher Education (PET) Curriculum Changes. This report was pulled for a more detailed course listing and hours required.

Annex III, Animal & Veterinary Sciences Curriculum Revisions. Motion carried.

Annex IV, Modifications of BSCE Curriculum. Motion carried.

Annex V, New Dual Degree Curriculum in Geology and Mining Engineering. Motion carried.

Annex VI, The Alteration Report was submitted for information.
  7. Professor Jim Held, Chair, General Education Committee, moved for approval of Annex VII, the Revised General Education Course Recommendations. Motion carried. Professor Held moved for acceptance of Annex VIII, Committee's 2005-06 Annual Report and 2006-07 Goals. Motion carried.
  9. It was moved and duly seconded to accept Annex X, Student Instruction Committee's 2005 - 06 Annual Report. Motion carried. It was moved and duly seconded to accept Annex XI, Student Instruction Committee's 2006 - 07 Goals. The committee voted to accept/pending adding why there needs to be a task force appointed to reconsider how "W" requirements are implemented and what would be their recommended charge. Motion carried.
  10. Professor Ruth Kershner moved acceptance of Annex XII, Student Rights and Responsibilities Committee's Annual Report for 2005 - 06. Motion carried. Professor Kershner also moved to accept Annex XIII, Student Rights and Responsibilities Committees 2006 - 07 Goals. Motion carried.
- Professor Kershner moved that the Committee on Committees, Membership and Constituencies draft an attendance policy for committee members. Motion carried.

11. Professor Ilkin Bilgesu moved acceptance of Annex XIV, Library Committee's Annual Report for 2005 – 06 and 2006 – 07 Goals. The committee accepted/pending adding investigating remote drop-offs to the list of goals. Motion carried.
12. Chair-elect Famouri said Professor Kevin Outterson, College of Law, has accepted the nomination for Faculty Senate Chair-elect. The Faculty Secretary will notify faculty that nominations are open for Chair-elect. It was moved and duly seconded to endorse Professor Outterson as Faculty Senate Chair-elect. Motion carried.
13. Professor John Kuhlman, Chair, Faculty Welfare Committee, moved for approval of Annex IX, "Recommendations by the WVU Faculty Welfare Committee for 2005-2006." Item one of the recommendation was tabled for further action; items two and three were approved, Motion carried; item four, section (a) was approved, Motion carried, sections (b), (c), and (d) were tabled for further input from University administration.
14. Professor Famouri, Chair, Ad hoc Committee on Joint Rules reported that:
  1. WVU needs to identify an ACF representative. It was moved and duly seconded to endorse Professor Roy Nutter as ACF representative for 2006 – 07. Motion carried.
  2. Election and Terms of Faculty Senators and Faculty Senate Chair: That Faculty Senators are in compliance. Faculty Senate Chair is not in compliance; will work with administration on this matter.
  3. WVU Representation on the Board of Governors: the process in place is working.
15. Annex XVII, Results of 2006 Faculty Senate Election, was presented for information.
16. The meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. to reconvene Monday, May 22, 2006.

Mary Strife  
Faculty Secretary