

Minutes
Faculty Senate Executive Committee
Monday, October 27, 2014

1. Chair Jennifer Orlikoff called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m. in Room 802B, Allen Hall.

Members Present:

Atkins, C.	DiBartolomeo, L.	Kleist, V.	Perna, N.
Bastress, R.	Elmore, S.	McConnell, J.	Stolzenberg, A.
Bowen, E.	Griffith, R.	Nutter, R.	Turton, R.
Cottrell, L.	Harner, E.	Orlikoff, J.	

Members Absent:

Gee, E.	Maynor, L.
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Guests:

Campbell, J.	Harshbarger, C.	Karraker, K.	Titolo, M.
Clark, N.	Hauser, D.	Lang, A. (DP)	Weese, N.
Fryson, D.	Hudak, R.	Tartaglia, A.	Wilson, C.
Goins, J.			

2. Chair Orlikoff moved for approval of the minutes from the September 22, 2014 meeting.
Motion carried.
3. Provost Joyce McConnell reported the following:
 - She provided an update on the events following the October 18 football game. We are continuing to work on determining what went on, why it went on, and how we can change things in the future. President Gee sent a strong message indicting that students who engaged in destructive behavior will be held accountable. Contrary to the impression left by some media reports, we are being careful to protect those students' due process rights. Administration will be reaching out to faculty, staff, and students for ideas on how to change the culture surrounding how students respond to a win, and is also working closely with city and county officials.
 - Results of recent studies reflect that our branding emphasizes athletics too much, particularly a violent, male-dominated version. We are transitioning to using the Mountaineer for sports branding and the Flying WV for academic and student life.
4. Chair Orlikoff reported the following:
 - She attended the monthly ACF meeting on Roy Nutter's behalf at Mountwest Community & Technical College in Huntington on October 9. James Skidmore, Chancellor for WV Council for Community and Technical College Education, was present and HEPC Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Corley Dennison was in attendance via phone. They discussed Senate Bill 409, which concerns the transfer of credits and the articulation between two- and four-year schools; the bill has passed

- and will be implemented. HEPC is considering creating a statewide appeals committee. It appears that legislators are under the impression that the non-transfer of credits is a “money game.” Everyone present at the meeting felt that this was a perception issue, and that it is clear that we need to further educate our legislators. Other topics included reverse transfers, guaranteed gateway classes for homogeneity within the state, and guided pathways for very specific curricular advising.
- She, Richard Turton, Dixie Martinelli from staff council, and Chris Nyden from SGA visited Potomac State College on October 24. After a guided tour, they met with their counterparts over lunch. The faculty group agreed it would be beneficial to examine the 2+2 arrangements, or pathways, that allow students to begin at Potomac State College and easily transition to WVU in Morgantown.
5. Jim Harner, Chair, Senate Curriculum Committee, moved for approval of the following reports:
 - Annex I, New Courses Report. Motion carried.
 - Annex II, Alterations Report. Accepted.
 - Annex III, B.S. Degree in Aviation Management at WVU-Tech. Motion carried.
 6. Dave Hauser, Chair-Elect, General Education Curriculum Oversight Committee, moved for approval of the following reports:
 - Annex IV, GEC Actions. Motion carried.
 - Annex IV, GEC Audits. Accepted.
 7. Randy Hudak, Associate Vice President of Facilities & Services, provided an update on sustainability and single stream recycling programs.
 8. David Fryson, Vice President for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion, provided an update on Title IX and other diversity initiatives.
 9. Alison Tartaglia, Project Coordinator for Campus Safety Grant, and Colleen Harshbarger, Director of the Office of Wellness and Health Promotion, discussed violence prevention and other student wellness and health promotion programs.
 10. Roy Nutter, ACF Representative, reported that the ACF will provide presentations to the legislature and to HEPC in November.
 11. Robert Griffith, BOG Representative, reported that the Board of Governors will meet on October 30-31. Staff representatives will present their constituency report at 1:00 on October 30.
 12. Executive Session

A motion was made and duly seconded that the Executive Committee move into Executive Session under West Virginia Code § 6-9A-4 under 2b to discuss a matter relating to an honorary degree, scholarship, prize, or similar award. Motion carried.

Following the conclusion of Executive Session, the Committee reconvened into regular session.

13. The meeting adjourned at 4:48 p.m. to reconvene on Monday, November 17, 2014.

Judy Hamilton
Office Administrator