

Minutes  
Faculty Senate Executive Committee  
Monday, December 21, 2009

1. Chair Nigel Clark called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. in the Bluestone Room, Mountainlair.
2. Members Present:

Atkins, C.	Clark, N.	Kleist, V.	Olson, K.
Bilgesu, I.	Clements, J.	McDiarmid, M.	Perone, M.
Boyles, J.	Jacknowitz, A.	Nutter, R.	Stolzenberg, A.

Members Absent:

Cottrell, L.	Kirby, B.	Martin, J.	Strife, M.
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Guests:

Cumming, J.	Dooley, E.	Kite, S.	Shaner, C. (DP)
Dean, R.	Griffith, R.	Robinson, S.	
3. President Clements said there are many good pieces of news to share; there's a lot of good things happening. Some of these are:
  - The Landscape Architect Program was ranked in the top ten nationally; actually number nine.
  - Senator Byrd announced that a 328 million dollar biometrics technology center is slated for construction in Clarksburg. WVU is the academic leader in terms of research. This facility will accommodate nearly 2000 employees.
  - In athletics, WVU finished 25<sup>th</sup> in the Directors Cup. WVU is one of only a few in the country that runs self-support. WVU is in the top 40 who graduates 75% of the football players.
  - There was an article in the *Charleston Gazette* by Curt Peterson on infrastructure in the state. It was a well-done piece talking about the economic impact.
  - There's an article in the *Dominion Post* about the WVU Hospitals nursing awards they have received. There are only 354 in the country that received that award and only 28 are academic medical centers. This is a good reflection on what we're doing.
  - Now is the time to start looking at structures for the future with Michele Wheatly and Chris Colenda. One is research infrastructure and one is related to diversity.
  - The President, Russ Dean and others visited Potomac State last week. It's really a special place and they do a good job. Enrollment is high and they're producing good students.
  - The President thanked everyone for their kindness and welcome that has been shown to him and his family.
4. Associate Provost Russ Dean reported that the two dean searches from Business & Economics and Arts & Sciences are underway. Both search committees have met twice and the position descriptions are about to be finalized. It should hit the electronic systems within the week.

Associate Provost Dean also said that the NR (not recorded) policy that the Faculty Senate endorsed at the last senate meeting is ready for implementation this coming semester.

5. After minor corrections, it was moved and duly seconded to approve the minutes for the November 23, 2009 meeting. Motion carried.
6. Chair Clark said that:
  - Provost Wheatly and Chancellor Colenda are slated to speak at the January Faculty Senate meeting.
  - He and Chair-elect Stolzenberg visited Potomac State and are planning a visit to Tech in the spring. Anyone who is interested in visiting is welcome to go on the trip.
  - The calendar was late this year. He said the Executive Committee could think about revisiting the calendar policy and discussing it with the administration.
  - He would like the Executive Committee to start thinking about issues over new courses that are being created. As we deal with interdisciplinary programs we are going to have more issues in creating new courses with those who possess those courses.
7. Professor Bilgesu moved to approve Annex I, New Courses and Course Changes. Motion carried. Annex II, Alteration Report, was presented for information.

Professor Bilgesu said a special request came from the Nursing School to renumber courses. New courses were given numbers of courses that were not being taught, but had not been dropped.

Professor Bilgesu also discussed a program change to MAE, adding ECON 201 and 202. He will present this to the Faculty Senate in January “for information”.
8. Chair Clark moved to approve Annex III, GEC Actions. Motion carried. Annex IV, GEC Audits, was presented for information.
9. Professor Jackowitz said that the Campus Police Department had contacted the School of Pharmacy about Emergency Preparedness and requested that Chair Clark contact the Campus Police Department about this.
10. Professor Steve Kite, Chair, Constitution Review Committee, led a discussion concerning changes to the Faculty Constitution.
11. The meeting adjourned at 5:05 p.m. to reconvene Monday, January 25, 2010.

Linda Cunningham  
Committee Secretary