Minutes Faculty Senate Executive Committee Monday, November 15, 2021

1. Chair Ashley Martucci called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Committee members and guests participated via videoconference.

Members Present:

Bastress, R.	Hauser, D.	Murphy, E.	Vanderhoff, J.
Chisholm, S.	Hibbert, A.	Reddy, R.	Veselicky, L.
Davari, A.	Hileman, S.	Reed, M.	Wayne, S.
Elliott, E.	Hissam, R.	Schaefer, G.	Welsh, A.
Galvez-Peralta, M.	Martucci, A.	Singh-Corcoran, N.	

Members Absent:

Gee, G.

Guests:

Becker, K	Latimer, M.	Shannon, R.	Staples, C.
Brugnoli, A.	Lofaso, A.	Slimak, L.	Widders, E.
Gavin, M.			

- 2. Chair Martucci presented for approval the minutes from the October 25, 2021 meeting. Motion carried by unanimous consent.
- 3. Provost Maryanne Reed reported the following:
 - Enrollment numbers, including applications, admissions, and deposits, look good for Fall 2022.
 - She asked Evan Widders to update the committee on student success. He indicated that the retention rate this year is 81.2 percent. Other than the COVID year, this is the best retention rate we have ever had. Our 6-year graduation rate went up 2 percentage points to 63 percent.
 - Lou Slimak provided an update on the testing center in Hodges Hall. He reported that the center soft-opened this fall because work was not completed as quickly as we anticipated, and we did not have a testing center coordinator hired until the start of the term. So far this term, we have delivered 5000 tests, primarily serving Eberly College. There have been no technological issues thus far, and only one academic integrity issue.
 - The number of COVID-19 cases in West Virginia has started to inch up, but remains very manageable at WVU. To date, 92 percent of employees and 82 percent of students are fully vaccinated. We continue to host COVID-19 vaccination clinics.
 - Amber Brugnoli provided an update on international travel. Messaging regarding travel over the holidays will be going out to faculty, staff, and students.
 - We have decided not to search for a dean of WVU online. Instead, Julie Thalman and Tracey Beckley, who have been serving in interim leadership positions, have been

promoted. Julie Thalman will serve as Assistant Provost for WVU Online and Tracey Beckley will serve as Assistant Provost for Teaching and Learning.

- 4. Chair Martucci reported the following:
 - Evan Widders will chair a committee of about 10 faculty members regarding the spring 2022 attendance policy.
 - Allison Hayes, CARE Team Case Manager, will be a guest speaker at the January 10, 2022 Faculty Senate meeting.
- 5. Robin Hissam, Chair, Senate Curriculum Committee, presented the following reports for approval. Motion carried by a vote of 11-0.

Annex I, New Courses Report

Annex II, Course Changes Report

Annex III, Capstone Courses Report

The following reports were submitted for information. Reports filed.

New Minor in Therapeutic Art

Annex IV, Rubric for Evaluating a Course Proposal

- 6. Amy Welsh, Chair, General Education Foundations Committee, reported that the committee continues to work on determining which courses to prioritize for assessment. GEFCO did not approve ENTR 102, one of the courses on today's New Courses Report, for GEF Area 6. The committee encouraged Chambers College to submit the courses as a GEF Area 4, but they chose not to do so.
- 7. Marina Galvez-Peralta, Chair of the Teaching and Assessment Committee, reported that the committee is continuing to work on a database summarizing information about how other schools are evaluating teaching. They hope to identify best practices to relaunch eSEIs and other tools for assessing faculty.
- 8. Ann Marie Hibbert, Chair of the Committee on Committees, Membership and Constituencies, presented the following report for approval. <u>Motion carried</u> by a vote of 14-0.

Annex V, Committee Appointments

9. Scott Wayne presented the following resolution for approval. <u>Motion carried</u> by a vote of 14-0.

Annex VI, Resolution to Create an Ad Hoc Committee on Collaboration

- 10. Eloise Elliott, Faculty Representative to State Government, reported that ACF and HEPC will both meet on December 3, 2021.
- 11. Stan Hileman, BOG Representative, reported that Board of Governors met on October 29, 2021. The Board received audit reports from Clifton Larson Allen for WVU and for the WVU Research Corporation. In both situations, an unmodified opinion with the

highest level of assurance was given. The Board approved several items, including a plan to enter into a strategic engagement partnership with the Alumni Association, a multi-year plan to modernize Information Technology systems, a 30-day comment period for the 10-year campus development plan, discontinuation of programs as recommended by the Office of the Provost, and the CEHS/CPASS merger. The next meeting is scheduled for December 17, 2021.

12. The meeting adjourned at 3:42 p.m. to reconvene on Monday, December 13, 2021.

Judy Hamilton Office Administrator