Faculty Senate Minutes: January 21, 2016

Meeting called to order by Dane Daniel at 3:30 pm

Faculty Members Present: Hamed Attariani, David Benson, Cindy Berelsman, Mindy, Bettinger, Joe Cavanaugh, Chuck Ciampaglio, Betsy Crites, Mark Cubberley, Dane Daniel, Meghan Faragher, Lynn Franck, Mindy Fulks, Marjorie Hess, Dave Hochstein, Stephen Jacquemin, Christine Junker, Steven Pedler, Courtney Simons, Michelle Smith, Joshua Stomel, Nate Tymes, David Wilson, Rachmadian Wulandana

Faculty Members Unable to Attend due to Professional Responsibilities: Kelly Battles, Giovanna Follo, Guy Vandegrift

Other Individuals Present: Dean Jay Albayyari, Tyler Pottkotter

Dean’s Report

Faculty members are encouraged to pay attention to the posted parking signs. Officer Pottkotter will be issuing tickets to vehicles that are illegally parked; please ensure you’re parking in the proper locations. Faculty parking is going to be a growing concern in upcoming months, plans for addressing this are under consideration.

On a related note, we will need to continue to streamline the process for Lake Faculty who need parking permits for the Dayton campus.

The Dean has received feedback regarding the proposed changes in unit structure. We may be consolidating even further (to three units, rather than the four originally proposed). Further information on the proposed structure will be offered in March and April.

The Dean inquired regarding the status of the bylaws for the Lake Campus. The Bylaws committee worked through the 2014-2015 academic year to re-work the P&T requirements, and to update other language where necessary. Other changes were made to the Lake Campus bylaws last year, including language about formalizing faculty mentoring.

The Lake Faculty approved those bylaw changes in the Spring of 2015. Those bylaw revisions still appear to be caught up in review at the Dayton campus. As of February 28, Marty Kich reported that those revisions are “on the schedule” and will be addressed within 1-2 weeks. The Bylaws committee has been asked to follow up with Marty to ensure that the revisions are approved, although it was also noted that at the moment the matter is in Dayton’s hands.

Other comments were offered regarding the status of Wright State University’s finances, as well as those of the Lake Campus. The Lake Campus is currently operating in the black, and should therefore perhaps consider hosting a presidential debate.¹

¹ Not really.
Approval of Minutes

Dane Daniel noted a correction to the minutes of the January 2016 Lake Campus Faculty Senate meeting, that change has been made.

Joe Cavanaugh moved to approve the January minutes with the correction included; Nate Tymes seconded the motion, motion carried.

Unit Reports

No unit reports were delivered at the meeting.

Committee Reports

Academic Affairs/Curriculum: No report delivered.

Faculty Affairs: (Cindy Berelsman) The issues of vacuuming of faculty offices and Sunday hours have both been taken up with Ed, who has responded favorably on both points. He would like to see Sunday hours for a full eight hours, rather than five, but needs to work out some staffing issues, as he’s currently short-handed.

In terms of vacuuming, we may simply create some sort of hanging tags that faculty can place on their doors if their office is in need of attention. This suggestion met with the approval of the faculty.

Petitions: No petitions were forwarded to the Dayton campus for the February meeting of the University Petitions Committee.

Outreach: No report delivered

Technology & Library: (Christine Junker) We are trying to create a collection of books at the library for use by Lake Campus students. These should be things that students may be asked to read as part of their course requirements. Space is limited, but recommendations for books may be submitted to Christine. If anyone has extra copies of textbooks that they wish to have made available as course reserves, those also may be given to Christine.

Governance & Bylaws: No report delivered.

Promotion & Tenure: No report delivered.

Old Business

None
New Business

Stephen Jacquemin: The Dean would like to create a 2015 annual report on research and scholarly publication conducted by members of the Lake Campus faculty. This report will include books, journal articles, reviews—anything that might be included in the Scholarship section of the annual Faculty Activity Reports. Please forward all appropriate items to Stephen Jacquemin for inclusion in the 2015 report—copying and pasting the Scholarship section of an F.A.R. is fine.

Planning continues for the end-of-year research symposium for Lake Campus. There has been some interest in making this a more student-focused event, so if you have students doing research and want them to be featured, please suggest that they participate.

Faculty participation is also strongly encouraged.

Chuck Ciampaglio: It was suggested that we re-create some sort of Lake Campus representative for the AAUP-WSU chapter. This would provide a readily accessible point person on campus who could be approached with issues of concern. Dane Daniel indicated he would raise the issue with Marty Kich, and Steve Pedler expressed a willingness to take on this role, although creating the position would most likely require some sort of election.

For the Good of the Order

No announcements.

Motion to adjourn

Chuck Ciampaglio moved to adjourn, Steve Pedler seconded, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 4:30 p.m.