Faculty Senate Minutes: March 17, 2016

Meeting called to order by Giovanna Follo at 3:30 pm

Faculty Members Present: Hamed Attariani, David Benson, Cindy Berelsman, Mindy Bettinger, Joe Cavanaugh, Chuck Ciampaglio, Angie Clayton, Mark Cubberley, Dane Daniel, Megan Faragher, Lynn Franck, Mindy Fulks, Giovanna Follo, Dave Hochstein, Greg Homan, Diane Huelskamp, Stephen Jacquemin, Christine Junker, Steven Pedler, Teresa Richter, Sharon Showman, Michelle, Smith, Josh Stomel, Nate Tymes, Doni Wulandana, Will Zhang

Faculty Members Unable to Attend due to Professional Responsibilities: James Adabor, Kelly Battles, Betsy Crites, Liane Muhlenkamp, Guy Vandegrift

Other Individuals Present: Dean Jay Albayyari, Tyler Pottkotter

Dean’s Report

The Lake Campus Research Symposium will be held on Thursday, April 21st—we’re hoping for a good turnout among both faculty members and students.

The HLC will be at the Dayton Campus on Monday and Tuesday of next week, and one of its representatives will be at the Lake Campus on Monday. A meeting with faculty members is scheduled for 1:00 pm. The accreditation process is very important, please try to attend this meeting if your schedule permits.

Work on the Agriculture and Water Quality Building is progressing—the hope remains that we’ll be able to break ground on the facility this summer. Further updates will be provided as new information arise.

The new Biology Lab will be put in place in Room 181. Quotes for the facility are being sought now, with an eye toward immediate requirement. If further needs arise in the future, funding will be sought and/or provided at that time.

The Nursing Lab is nearly prepared. Some issues exist regarding provision of equipment by some of the hospital partners, but negotiations are proceeding.

New faculty and staff positions will be filled soon. The second Nursing faculty position is expected to be in place by Spring of 2017, the Diversity Coordinator position will be filled, as well.

The general financial situation for the Lake Campus remains positive. Efforts are ongoing to solidify the situation, but in the short run while certain economies may be necessary, the general status of the campus is good.

On the issue of Sunday hours—we plan to revisit this issue during the 2016-2017 academic year, but at the present time financial concerns will preclude this through the end of the spring 2016 semester.
Approval of Minutes

Nate Tymes moved to approve the meetings of the February 2016 meeting, Dane Daniel seconded. The motion to approve the minutes carried.

Unit Reports

Chuck Ciampaglio: Everyone should have received the letter sent out by Marty Kich regarding the University’s recent request for faculty transcripts. Questions should be directed to Marty, but the key point is that this is not intended to threaten anyone’s ability to teach the classes they’ve been assigned to teach.

Committee Reports

Academic Affairs/Curriculum: To be covered under New Business

Faculty Affairs: (Cynthia Berelsman) Faculty Affairs has met again with Ed regarding sweeping out of faculty offices.

Whoever chairs Faculty Affairs next year will need to oversee the process of updating faculty awards. The process appears to have been unrevised since 2006. Also, the selection committee for these awards is to include the previous year’s winner.s

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

Budget and Long-Range Planning: Nothing yet within range, need to wait until we can see the whites of their eyes.

Outreach: (Dane Daniel) Funding has been approved for one more event during the academic year. An early Cinco de Mayo celebration will be held at 6:00 pm on Thursday, April 21. The celebration will feature DJs and dancing.

Technology & Library: (Teresa Richter) Jamon Flowers is taking book orders for the library— if you have texts that you want to reserve for your courses, please get in touch with the library. The deadline for requests is at the end of March, so please get your request in ASAP.

Governance & Bylaws: (Stephen Jacquemin) The Dayton Campus is working to expedite the bylaws (theoretically), expectation is that the announcement will be provided prior to the April meeting—or when the sun goes supernova, whichever comes sooner.

Elections need to be held soon for several positions for next year, including President Elect, Faculty Senate Secretary, WOEF Board Representative, P&T Chair, and P&T members. Interested faculty should submit their names (or the names of potential candidates) to any member of the G & B Committee. All nominated individuals must accept the nominations before they can stand for election.
In the past, elections have inspired questions regarding policies. A ballot will be created listing all candidates who have agreed to stand for each position. Faculty members should vote, then submit their ballots (the box is hungry!), and the leading vote-getter for each position will be elected.

We also need one person to serve a two-year term on the University Research Council (this is typically a Dean’s appointment—speak with Jay or Stephen if interested).

Nominations for all fall positions will be closed in 2 weeks, after that the ballot box will be made available.

Promotion & Tenure: (Chuck Ciampaglio) 3 people received tenure (Stephen, Diane, Christine). Other individuals up for tenure should have received updates informing them where they stand in the process.

Old Business
None

New Business

Academic Affairs/Curriculum: (Dane Daniel) The Academic Affairs/Curriculum Committee approved a list of course, program, and policy changes. These included:

Course Modifications:
IT 2400
IT 4435

New Course Proposals:
FAS 2050 FAS 2060 FAS 2610
FAS 2700 FAS 2720 FAS 2730
FAS 2810 FAS 3110 FAS 3500
FAS 3510 FAS 3520

New Policy Proposals:
Updated grade mediation policy (Lake Campus only)

Program Modifications:
AA, Communication Studies AA, History
AA, Liberal Studies AA, Psychology
AA, Social Work AA, Sociology
Joe Cavanaugh moved to approve the proposed changes, Angie Clayton seconded. The motion to approve the changes carried.

Stephen Jacquemin: The Research Symposium will be on Thursday, April 21. If you wish to present, send Dr. Jacquemin a copy of the title for your poster presentation by Monday, March 21. Posters should be 36” by 48”, anything you wish to put on the poster is fine.

If anyone has a student who is doing original research, they can present, as well. Notify Dr. Jacquemin by the 21st.

Chuck Ciampaglio: Marty Kich has asked for the circulation of a faculty resolution opposing the expansion of Ohio concealed-carry laws that would allow the carrying of weapons on university campuses. Language of a proposed resolution has been circulated. This issue will likely require a faculty vote, which will be done prior to the April Faculty Senate meeting to enable those who cannot attend faculty senate meetings to make their feelings known.

This should probably be done as a paper ballot—a request to Marty for clarification on the circumstances will be made.

This issue will come up in the University’s Executive Council, so the vote should be held prior to the date of the next Executive Council Meeting (information on that date will be forthcoming).

Joe Cavanaugh: Thanks to Christine and Stephen for participation at the last mentoring event at Brew Nation; anyone interested in attending these should definitely do so—two meetings remain before the end of the semester (Professional & Community Networking, and Promotion & Tenure).

For the Good of the Order

Giovanna Follo: April 21 is a busy day – Research Symposium, Early Cinco de Mayo, Brew Nation AAUP Social, and final Faculty Senate meeting for the academic year.

Mark Cubberley: Everyone is encouraged to attend faculty HLC session on Monday at 1:00 pm.
Higher Education Opportunity Act requires us to have textbook submissions done on time; if you don’t yet have book submissions done yet, *please* get them in ASAP, because we need this to be in compliance with state law.

Nominations for Commencement speakers have been put forward; any comments/concerns on candidates need to be sent to Mark ASAP. Candidates are Nicole Bertke for the Associate Degree programs, Tamara Adkins and Jennifer Fritsch for the Bachelor’s Degree Representatives.

Dave Hochstein: Michelle Smith has planned the Disability Awareness workshop session at 1:00 on Monday—please advertise for students.

**Motion to adjourn**

Sharon Showman moved to adjourn the meeting at 4:17 pm, Megan Faragher seconded the motion. The motion to adjourn the meeting carried. (presumably, everybody left)