

Faculty Senate Minutes: October 15, 2015

Meeting called to order by President Follo at 3:30 pm.

Faculty Members Present: Hamed Attariani, Dave Benson, Cindy Berelsman, Joe Cavanaugh, Angie Clayton, Betsy Crites, Jamon Flowers, Giovanna Follo, Lynn Franck, Dennis Hance, , Marj Hess, Dave Hochstein, Greg Homan, Diane Huelskamp, Stephen Jacquemin, Christine Junker, Marty Kich, Steve Pedler, Teresa Richter, Courtney Simons, Michelle Smith, Nate Tymes, Guy Vandegrift

Faculty Members Unable to Attend due to Professional Responsibilities: James Adabor, Chuck Ciampaglio, Dane Daniel, Megan Faragher, Sharon Showman, Doni Wulandana

Other Individuals Present: Dean Jay Albayyari, Tyler Pottkotter

Dean's Report

The Dean repeated the point made during the September meeting—he has an open-door policy for all faculty members. However, if questions arise regarding scheduling, these should be handled (initially) through the unit heads. If issues cannot be resolved with the unit heads, then they may, of course, be brought to the Dean.

Fundraising activities are proceeding aggressively regarding planned construction. Many members of the local business community have been very generous in their support of these fundraising efforts, and additional outreach to potential donors is being conducted.

Planning for the Agricultural Center is moving forward, fundraising efforts are continuing, and the RFP for architectural drawings will be going out shortly. The intention is to break ground for the Center's construction in approximately ten months.

Preparations for the launch of new programs are continuing. Lynn Franck has taken charge of the Nursing Program, and scheduling for its launch in the fall of 2017 is underway.

As a result of the expansion of activity at the Lake Campus, space is exceedingly tight right now. When new facilities, such as the Ag Center, open, these shortages will hopefully be eased, at least somewhat.

Efforts are still underway to address the Dayton campus' attention deficit disorder when it comes to the activities (or, indeed, existence) of the Lake Campus. The expectation is that these issues will, eventually, be addressed, but the process is taking longer than anticipated.

Most pressing on this list is receiving a full accounting from the Wright State University CFO regarding the \$2.5 million paid by the Lake Campus in "fees." The object of this inquiry is to receive a full accounting of where those funds are going, and what services are being provided in return.

Approval of Minutes

Approval of Minutes for September, 2015 meeting. Motion to approve by Greg Homan, seconded by Nate Tymes. Motion to approve minutes carried.

Reports from Units

Discussion is underway regarding the formation of departments—this issue was discussed during the most recent meeting between the unit heads and the Dean.

Numerous issues apparently remain to be resolved regarding this transition, including, but not limited to:

- How will these department be structured?
- How many departments would there be?
- Why is this switch being initiated?
- What responsibilities would the departments have (scheduling, conduct of annual evaluations, etc.)
- Would department chairs be responsible for program evaluations

A suggestion was offered to refer this issue to the Faculty Affairs Committee. The Committee will be collecting a list of questions from faculty, and this list of questions will be presented to the Dean.

Guy Vandegrift moved for cloture on the discussion, Cindy Berelsman seconded the motion, motion for cloture carried.

Committee Reports

Academic Affairs/Curriculum

The Curriculum Committee proposed the following list of revisions:

- Program Change: Name change from “AAB – Graphic Design and Visual Media” to “AAB – Graphic Design and Multimedia”
- Course Change: Addition of pre-requisites to IT 2220
- Program Changes: ATS – Law Enforcement, ATS – Law Enforcement w./Academy, ATS – Corrections, ATS – Corrections w./Academy

Joe Cavanaugh moved that the proposed changes be approved, Nate Tymes seconded the motion; motion carried.

Christine Junker requested that faculty whose courses involve service learning please register those courses with the Office of Service Learning and Civic Engagement. This requires a bit of paperwork, but helps students in those courses, as they can then receive Multicultural Competence credit for their service-learning activities.

Technology & Library

Dave Hochstein has put together an instructional sheet providing directions for those who need to use the new Scantron machine. The old Scantron will likely be removed shortly, per the Dean's decision. Mike Baxter will be approached to conduct additional training sessions for those who are not yet familiar with the new technology.

Discussions are currently underway to rename the library. Different names are under consideration, and a survey of students will be conducted, as well.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Guy Vandegrift: Questions have been raised regarding the Dean's presence/participation in meetings of the Lake Campus Faculty Senate meetings. A non-binding straw poll vote was conducted to assess the extent to which the Dean's attendance/participation in these meetings is desired. Results of this poll will be e-mailed to all faculty members.

Program Evaluation: It appears that the Lake Campus will be expected to produce Program Evaluations for all programs very soon (start dates remain TBD, but may begin as soon as next month).

Numerous questions have been raised with respect to these evaluations, and clarification on all of them will be sought from the administration. These issues include:

- Equality in program evaluation responsibilities (how much will individual Lake Faculty be expected to do in comparison to faculty at the Dayton campus)
- How much time are faculty expected to spend preparing these evaluations?
- What is the *actual* timeline for the submission of these evaluations, and will additional training be provided
- What do these evaluations actually need to include?

It was suggested that the Faculty Affairs Committee take these issues up with the university administration, and that some time should be set aside (either during, or independent of, a future Faculty Senate meeting) to discuss these program evaluations, and what they need to include.

Marty Kich noted that, contractually, the development and conduct of program evaluations is an *administrative* responsibility, *not* a faculty responsibility. This would be a function of the Associate Dean (if we had one, which, yeah...). In any event, a great deal of additional clarity is required for all faculty regarding exactly what is expected.

For the Good of the Order

Guy Vandegrift: The Outreach Committee is Sponsoring a Caribbean Cultural Celebration. It will be held on Thursday, November 5, at 6:00 pm in Dicke Hall. Music will be provided by the

steel drum band “Steel Away.” Amber Daniel will M.C., and will sing, as well. The Celebration will feature a potluck dinner (food of any ethnicity is welcome).

Dave Hochstein: We are continuing to collect donations for the Lake Campus student whose father recently passed away (deadline for donations is **Friday, October 16**).

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn made by at 4:33 pm by Courney Simons; motion seconded by (not noted), motion to adjourn carried, meeting adjourned.