Minutes Faculty Senate Executive Council September 23, 2014

Members present: Kim Gainer, Vince Hazleton, Laura Jacobsen, Jerry Kopf (chair), Susan Schoppelrey, Carter Turner

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m.
- 2. The minutes for September 16, 2014, were approved with the addition of Susan Schoppelrey to Members present.
- 3. The council agreed to refer to the FIC the issue of whether RU should modify its nondiscrimination policies to cover gender identity and gender expression.
- 4. The council discussed follow up on the issue of whether there should be a fall break. There is no Calendar Committee per se. Instead, the University Executive Council is charged with oversight of the calendar. The president of the Faculty Senate is a member of the UEC. A request should be made that the UEC convene.
- 5. On behalf of the Faculty Senate, Dr. Kopf sent a reply to questions posed by a reporter from *The Tartan* on the issue of fall break.
- 6. The marketing and branding consultants will be available to meet with members of the Faculty Senate on October 2, 2014. The council agreed that a meeting of the whole senate should be held that day in lieu of committee meetings.
- 7. The council discussed the recent Board of Visitors meeting and how best to convey the faculty point of view.
- 8. The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.