

MINUTES
2015-2016 Faculty Senate Meeting
September 17, 2015
Heth 014

Members present: Ian Barland, Roann Barris, Steve Beach (for Abhay Kaushik), Vickie Bierman, Brad Bizzell, Joy Caughron, Jeffrey Chase, Steve Childers, James Collier, Eric Du Plessis, Jake Fox, Andrew Foy, Tim Fuhrer, Kim Gainer, Jim Gumaer, Brent Harper, Vince Hazleton, Nicole Hendrix, Rhett Herman, Rodrigo Hernandez, Katie Hilden, Prahlad Kasturi, Youngmi Kim, Jerry Kopf, Susan Kwilecki (for Suzanne Ament), Mary LaLone, Elizabeth Lanter, Laura LaRue, Douglas Mitchell, Johnny Moore, Monica Pazmino, Mashooq Salehin, Sandra Schneider, Susan Schoppelrey, Neil Sigmon, Andrea Stanaland, Julie Temple, Paul Thomas, Cheri Triplett, Carter Turner, Amy VanKirk, Jimmy Ray Ward, Jennifer Whicker, Anja Whittington

Members absent: Paige Tan, Skip Watts,

Guests: Dr. Dennis Grady, Dean of the Graduate College; Dr. Kate Hawkins, Dean of the College of Humanities and Behavioral Sciences

- I. The meeting was called to order at 3:32 p.m.
- II. The minutes for September 3, 2015, were approved.
- III. Dr. Kopf gave a report on his presentation to the Board of Visitors and answered questions.
 - a. The Academic Affairs and Business Affairs Committee are jointly working on four goals:
 - Cost-benefit analysis of all academic programs—Dr. Kopf reported that he drew the BOV’s attention to the importance of shared governance, the faculty role in program review, and the existence of an “established, approved review process”
 - Review of faculty compensation—Dr. Kopf reported that he drew the BOV’s attention to the SCHEV goal of reaching the 60th percentile and to the existence of a compensation model approved by the Faculty Senate, the previous Provost, the President, and the Vice President for Business Affairs.
 - Review of assessment of student learning—Dr. Kopf reported that he drew the BOV’s attention to the significance of “active faculty participation in the review and discussion of assessment.”
 - Review of alternative tuition models—Dr. Kopf reported that he expressed to the BOV his hope that it would solicit active faculty input.

- b. A question was asked about the university's enrollment targets. Dr. Kopf stated that transfers and graduate students were down and that freshman enrollment was about the same as the previous year. Overall, enrollment was down.
 - c. A question was asked about the status of the Motion to Amend IG Document Description of Academic Program Review Committee, passed on April 23, 2015. Dr. Kopf stated that the motion had not gone beyond the Provost's office. He also referred to the motion under Old Business on the agenda, *Motion to Approve the Academic Program Review Process and Template*.
- IV. Under Old Business, the *Motion to Approve the Academic Program Review Process and Template*, referred by the FSEC, was taken from the table. After discussion, the motion was tabled.
- V. Committee reports
 - a. Campus Environment: No report.
 - b. Curriculum: Dr. Gainer reported the election of the chair, as well as of Ms. Whicker as secretary. Dr. Kolajo has accepted an invitation to update the committee on the CLA+ on October 8, and Dr. Herman is collecting information on retention and transfer students.
 - c. Faculty Issues: Dr. Barris reported the election of the chair, as well as of Dr. Barland as secretary.
 - d. Governance: Dr. Schoppelrey reported that she is serving temporarily as chair.
 - e. Resource Allocation: No report.
- VI. Announcements
 - a. Faculty were reminded of the upcoming Presidential Search Forums.
- VII. The meeting was adjourned at 4:48 p.m.