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UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON
DAYTON, OHIO

MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE ACADEMIC SENATE

October 22, 2003 – 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. in St. Mary's 113B

PRESIDING: Joe Saliba

SENATORS PRESENT: Dandaneau, Eloë, Gerla, Hall, Morman, Partlow, Rapp, Saliba

1. Opening Prayer: J. Saliba opened the meeting with a silent prayer.
2. Approval of ECAS Minutes for October 16, 2003: The October 16, 2003 minutes were approved as written.
3. Announcements: The Research Professorships was passed by the Board on October 17. It is recommended that the President of the Academic Senate be present at the AP&P board meetings in order to help explain the issues that AP&P is recommending for vote to the Board of Trustees.
An Academic Senate meeting will be held on Friday, October 31 at 3:00 p.m. in KU 331. There will be three proposals on the agenda to come for a vote: Revised Dean's List Proposal (I-03-07); General Education Goals Proposal (I-03-08); Finals Week Proposal (I-03-09). It was also suggested that M. Robinson and P. Johnson be invited to an Academic Senate meeting to make presentations about Virtual Orientation and Portfolio.
The Faculty Meeting, sponsored by the Academic Senate, will be held on Friday, November 14 at 3:00 p.m. in the Ballroom. The agenda will focus on budget planning and a facilities presentation.
4. Request to Develop a "Yellow Book for All Internal Websites": J. Saliba would like to set up a website that would list all of the University websites. M. Robinson will be contacted to see if his department can work on this project.
5. Finals Week Proposal (I-03-09): The three committees of the Academic Senate each reviewed the Finals Week proposal. The APC had no problem with the Calendar Committee's statement of recommendations.
Members of the FAC had disputes on whether all courses should have a cumulating event through the finals period. The disagreement came about with courses that require a research paper, project, or a portfolio for the mode of evaluation rather than a final exam.
The S APC students agreed with the statement presented, but some of the faculty had a problem with this statement being legislative or consultative, the commencement part of the issue was not clear, no substitute for the exam policy exists.
S. Dandaneau will try to rewrite the statement to make it clearer before it is presented to the Academic Senate. A joint report by the Calendar Committee and the

ECAS will be presented at the Academic Senate meeting and then the floor will be open for debate. A vote of support or rejection will be taken and, depending on the outcome, this issue will come before the December Academic Senate meeting. H. Gerla was asked to look at the Constitution to see if this matter is legislative or consultative.

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted: Jane Rogatto