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Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate

January 11, 2007

St. Mary's 113 B; 12:00 AM

Present: D. Biers (presiding), D. Courte, G. DeMarco, P. Johnson, M. Morton, J.O'Gorman, R. Penno, F. Pestello, A. Seielstad, R. Wells

J. Farrelly (Faculty Board)

Guest: J. Untener

Roll Call:

Ten of the twelve members of the Committee were present.

Prayer:

D. Biers opened the meeting with a prayer of reflection on the purpose of life.

Approval of Minutes:

January 4, 2007 approved.

Announcements:

- T. Eggemeier is not able to meet with the Executive Committee next week. He will be scheduled at a later date.
- R. Perales will meet with the Executive Committee to provide a progress report on the Campus Master Plan.

Old Business:

D. Biers provided a brief report for the Faculty Affairs Committee. They met at 10:30 on January 11 to discuss a new draft of the document "University Committee to Review Policies and Procedures for Promotion and Tenure." A number of concerns were raised at that meeting that need to be addressed. The role of the Board of Trustees in the approval process of tenure and promotion and as a court of last appeals needs to be clarified and included in the information provided to the Academic Senate, and if approved there, to the faculty. The appeals process still needs to be clarified. The Executive Committee requested that a copy of the most recent draft be placed in their room of the Quickplace for review.

New Business:

J. Untener reported on the Higher Learning Commission Self-Study Report. He asked that the Executive Committee determine an appropriate role for the Academic Senate in both the review of the current draft and in relationship to the visitation tea. He indicated that the final version of the report needs to be completed by the end of February so that it can be presented to the Board of Trustees in May. The Executive Committee decided to assign the document to the three

standing committees. Each of these committees is to appoint one person to read each chapter (there are five chapters). While all members should try to read the entire document, this will ensure that at least three members of the Academic Senate have read each chapter. The document will be discussed at the February 9 meeting of the Academic Senate. One person will be asked to do a brief summary of each chapter at that meeting, followed by general discussion. The document will be available on reserve at the library and is available at <http://nca2007.udayton.edu/SelfStudy/Chapters/UD%20Self-Study%20Table%20of%20Contents-online.pdf>

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 1:15 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia A. Johnson, Secretary