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Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate

December 6, 2007

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

Present: D. Biers (presiding), T. Eggemeier, A. Fist, P. Johnson, R. Kearns, L. Laubach, J. O'Gorman, R. Penno, T. Stevens, R. Wells

J. Farrelly (Faculty Board)

Roll Call:

Ten members of the Committee were present.

Prayer:

The meeting opened with a prayer for harmony, written by L. Jablonski and offered by R. Kearns.

Approval of Minutes:

November 29, 2007 approved.

Announcements:

President Curran has informed D. Biers that the Board of Trustees has approved Doc 06-10, University Promotion and Tenure Policy. Elections can now be held for the Committee.

Old Business:

Reports from the standing committees:

- R. Penno reported for the **Academic Policies Committee**. They did not have a quorum at their last meeting. Those present had a discussion with D. Pair about the status of the Sub-Committee charged with working on the recommendations of *Habits of Inquiry and Reflection*. This group is now calling itself the sub-committee on a Common academic Program. The committee has not met this term but has established a site for documents that are to be reviewed. It will begin meeting regularly next semester. Academic Policies completed work on Doc 07-02 and 02-03 and returned these to the executive Committee to place on the agenda for the academic Senate.
- D. Biers reported for the **Faculty Affairs Committee**. The committee continues to work on DOC 06-11, Review of Tenured Faculty.
- **Student Academic Policies Committee**. A. Fist reported that members of SGA will be having a breakfast discussion on December 7 at 10:00 AM in KU to discuss issues related to the evaluation of teaching. Members of SAPCAS as well as members of ECAS are invited to attend.

New Business:

- The Agenda for the meeting of the Academic Senate on December 14, 2007 was set. In addition to the reports from the standing committees, the Academic Senate will vote of

Doc 07-02, University of Dayton Assessment Plan, and Doc. 07-03, guidelines for the Development of Course-Based Graduate Certificate Programs.

- There is a difficulty with the meeting time for next semester for ECAS. A final decision will be made at the meeting on December 13, after D. Biers receives schedule information from a couple people. It looks like meetings may need to be on Wednesday at noon.
- The Executive Committee reviewed issues related to the scheduling of the Stander Symposium in WI 09. The recommendation to be taken by D. Biers to the Provost Council is that the Symposium be scheduled for March 24-25 that year.
- A proposal for splitting May graduation was discussed. Because of the number of students walking in May graduation and the length of time of the ceremony, the President asked the Graduation Committee to consider other ways of conducting May graduation. The proposal brought forward by that Committee is to pilot separate graduate and undergraduate ceremonies in May 2008. T. Eggemeier presented information that he has compiled from graduate students and from the Graduate Leadership Council in relation to the proposal. The decision will be made at the Provost Council on December 11, 2007.
- The content categories for faculty profiles on the University website were discussed. Recommendations will be presented at the Provost Council by D. Biers.

Adjournment: The meeting adjourned at 1:25 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia A. Johnson, Secretary