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Approved Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate January 30, 2015 SM113B, 9:00-10:30 AM

Present: Phil Anloague, Erin Brown, Jim Dunne, Harry Gerla, Linda Hartley, Emily Hicks, Carissa Krane, Laura Leming, Ed Mykytka, Dominic Sanfilippo, Kathy Webb

Absent: Paul Benson

Guests: Corinne Daprano (Faculty Board)

Opening prayer/meditation: E. Mykytka opened the meeting with a prayer.

Minutes: The minutes of the January 23, 2015, ECAS meeting were approved with corrections/additions.

Announcements:

- Next ECAS meeting is Friday, February 6, 2015, 9:00-10:30 am, St. Mary's 113B
 - Need to approve Academic Senate agenda because February 13th ECAS meeting will be short due to ECAS interview with Law School dean candidate
- Joint Academic Senate/Faculty meeting on Friday, February 6, 2015, 3:00 pm KU Boll Theatre
 - Tentative agenda: Senate update (Carissa Krane), Title IX Coordinator update (David Sipusic), Faculty salary report (Pat Donnelly), President's remarks (Dan Curran), Financial report (Andy Horner), Provost's remarks (Paul Benson), Q & A
 - ECAS strongly supported including remarks about the presidential search and discussed several ideas for who would be the appropriate speaker. C. Krane will contact Dave Yeager and Paul Benson to convey our recommendations.
- Next ELC meeting is Monday, February 16, 2015, 9:30-11:30 am, President's Suite, KU 316
 - Tentative agenda items: ELC Principles of Organization draft document, Andy Horner, new VP for Finance, concerns about the timing of filling the President & Provost positions in 2016
- Sabbatical replacement for Myrna Gabbe (HUM) is Kathleen Watters
- Senator elections are concluded

Concern With Timing of Presidential Search Firm Visit: D. Sanfilippo expressed concern on behalf of SGA because the campus meetings with the search firm (March 3-5) are the week of mid-term break. Break is scheduled for Thursday and Friday (March 5-6) so students and faculty will have opportunities to provide feedback prior to break. There is also a link on the presidential search web site to provide feedback.

Reports from Committees:

<u>Academic Policies Committee:</u> J. Dunne reported that the survey about calendar issues was delayed a few days, but would go out next week. D. Sanfilippo reported that the related student survey will also go out next week. The committee has continued discussions about a policy (or policies) on certificate programs. The Paul Vanderburgh and the Graduate Leadership Council have communicated that they do

not want to existing policy on graduate certificates to be combined with a policy for undergraduate certificates to make one overarching policy. The committee will continue their discussions about certificate program policies.

The APC will meet at 2 pm on the second and fourth Fridays.

<u>Faculty Affairs Committee:</u> H. Gerla reported that the committee met last Friday to discuss the documentation of the Elections Committee. The committee discussed a list of questions to ask the chair of the Elections Committee, Andrea Koziol. E. Hicks provided the committee with a copy of the guidelines used for the latest round of elections.

The FAC will meet at 11:00 am on the first and third Fridays.

<u>Student Academic Policies Committee:</u> L. Leming reported that the committee had not met since the last ECAS meeting. J. McCombe will continue to present the draft policy on academic dishonesty to various units in February. The committee will review the feedback and revise the draft with the goal of bringing the document to the full Senate in March. C. Krane will ask J. McCombe if a discussion at the February Academic Senate meeting would be useful.

The committee will meet on Mondays at 9 am as needed (usually every other week).

Old Business:

<u>UNRC Membership Update:</u> E. Mykytka reported that a representative from Engineering is forthcoming. A request for nominations for the Speaker Series Committee is pending so the committee needs to be up and running soon.

Information Literacy Task Force: C. Krane issued invitations to everyone identified for membership on the task force. D. Sanfilippo will be the student representative. Andy Slade will be the APC representative. John Weber and Terence Lau have been designated as their unit's point of contact/consultation. C. Krane is still waiting to hear from SEHS. The Humanities Commons Coordinator, Caroline Merithew, declined the invitation to participate so alternate members were discussed. K. Webb suggested that Jon Hess, chair of Communication, or another member of the department be added since they already work very closely with the Libraries on information literacy issues. Heidi Gauder will call the first meeting once the membership is finalized.

New Business:

<u>Joint Academic Senate/Faculty Meeting Presentation Material:</u> The following items were identified as important to include in the AS Update: UNRC, change in class schedules, survey about calendar issues, AS Parliamentarian position, Board of Trustees debriefs at ELC, ELC principles of organization draft, information literacy task force, academic dishonesty policy draft, policy on undergraduate certificates, continued participation in climate survey issues, and overarching goal of increased faculty consultation.

<u>ELC Agenda Recommendations:</u> C. Krane will forward the following items for the next ELC meeting agenda: Completion of the Principles of Organization document, Introduction and discussion with Andy Horner, and concerns about the Provost appointment, particularly the timing.

<u>Agenda Topics for February 20th Academic Senate Meeting:</u> The following items were proposed: climate survey update (Paul Benson), tuition remission/exchange program (Joyce Carter, Kathy Harmon), and discussion of academic dishonesty draft policy.

L. Leming expressed disappointment in the gender composition of the presidential search committee. ECAS acknowledged that there is widespread disappointment about this issue. K. Webb encouraged people to speak up about this critical issue in the upcoming open sessions with the search firm and the upcoming faculty meeting. She encouraged everyone to "be challenging in a Marianist way."

Statement on Research/Policy on Research: C. Krane confirmed with Fr. Jim Fitz that he wants feedback about the Statement on Research draft. She suggested distributing to the standing committees for discussion and then to the Senate for discussion. J. Dunne expressed concern that if the Statement was made widely available in its current form, it would cause a significant problem among the faculty. C. Krane expressed concern about discussing the Statement without the corresponding Policy on Research draft. K. Webb suggested that both documents be distributed, but discussion be limited to the Statement in order to provide meaningful feedback to the Board of Trustees prior to their May deadline.

<u>University Policies Coordinating Committee (January 21, 2015):</u> C. Krane reported Tom Skill was very supportive of the concerns raised about the computer/tablet purchase policy. The policy will be revised and brought back to the Academic Senate for consultation.

<u>Senate Resolution or Senate Recognition of Service:</u> J. Dunne proposed a statement of recognition for Dan Curran. K. Webb stated that it was too early to make such a statement. ECAS agreed to wait until next academic year to recognize Dr. Curran's service.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 A.M.

Respectfully submitted by Emily Hicks

Work in Progress

Task	Source	Previously	То	Work due	Due
		assigned			
Consultation	ECAS	ECAS	ECAS	Open communication	ongoing
Instructional staff	Provost's office		FAC		
titles					
Academic	Calendar	APC	ECAS	Survey and results	Feb
Calendar Survey	Committee/APC				2015
Information			ECAS	Charge	
Literacy					
AS Constitution	ECAS		ECAS		
revision					
Dismissal for	SBA	SAPC	Deans'		
academic			Council		
dishonesty					
Policy for			APC		
academic					
certificate					
programs					

Nondiscrimination	Legal	FAC,	Comments/recommendations	
& anti-harassment		SAPC		
policy				
Review	ECAS	FAC		
ECAS/Senate				
representation on				
Elections				
Committee				
Review	ECAS	FAC		
ECAS/Senate				
representation on				
UNRC				
Tasks ongoing				
CAP oversight	Senate	APC	Hear periodic reports	
UNRC		ECAS	Hear periodic reports	