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Approved
Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
February 13, 2015
SM113B, 9:00-10:30 AM

Present: Phil Anloague, Paul Benson, Jim Dunne, Harry Gerla, Linda Hartley, Emily Hicks, Ed Mykytka, Dominic Sanfilippo, Kathy Webb

Absent: Erin Brown, Carissa Krane, Laura Leming

Guests: Corinne Daprano (Faculty Board), Bro. Tom Giardino (Association of Marianist Universities)

Meeting was convened by P. Anloague (VP of Academic Senate)

Opening prayer/meditation: Bro. Giardino opened the meeting with a prayer.

Discussion about AMU Initiatives: Bro. Tom Giardino, Executive Director of the Association of Marianist Universities, explained that he is visiting each of the three Marianist universities to talk with the Academic (or Faculty) Senate at each school about the role of the AMU and upcoming initiatives such as the “Right Relationships at Marianist Universities: Witness, Formation & Celebration” symposium planned for June 2016 and the Mussidan (named after the school Fr. Chaminade attended as a child and later worked) Modules project that is currently in development and slated for a role out in 2016. Issues of work-life balance and adaptation and change are issues of concern that will be addressed by the Mussidan Modules. The expected symposium attendance is approximately 130 with proportional representation from each university. The delivered papers are expected to be published in the Journal of Catholic Higher Education and on the AMU website. Br. Giardino provided several handouts, including a profile of post-secondary education and US Roman Catholic colleges. The role of the AMU is to keep a focus on the Catholic identity of the three Marianist universities. Formed in 2003, the AMU’s mission is to “support, promote and advance Marianist higher education. AMU does this by facilitating an environment to sustain cooperation and the exchange of experience and information among the members. AMU represents Marianist higher education at the national and international levels and contributes to the formation of leaders in the Catholic and Marianist educational traditions in their service to the Church and world” (See <http://marianistuniversities.org/> for more information). The AMU Board includes the Presidents and Rectors/Mission officers of each Marianist university and representatives from the Marianist Province of the US. The AMU also coordinates meetings of the CIOs, Provosts, and others from each Marianist university to help strengthen the cooperation and collaboration between them. Contact Bro. Giardino with any questions or concerns.

Minutes: The minutes of the February 6, 2015, ECAS meeting were approved with no corrections and 3 abstentions.

Announcements:

- Next ECAS meeting is Friday, February 20, 2015, 9:00-10:30 am, St. Mary’s 113B
- Next Academic Senate meeting is Friday, February 20, 2015, 3:00 pm KU Ballroom
- Next ELC meeting is Monday, February 16, 2015, 9:30-11:30 am, President’s Suite, KU 316
 - ELC Principles of Organization draft document (latest draft by H. Gerla)
 - Revised Strategic Plan Discussion (P. Benson)

- Informal discussion with Andy Horner, new VP for Finance
- Update on search process to fill vacant/interim administrative positions
- C. Daprano (Faculty Board) is unable to attend so Janet Bednarek will attend in her place
- Presidential Search Firm Meeting with ECAS on Wednesday, March 4, 2015, 11:30 am-12:30 pm, St. Mary's 113B
 - P. Benson explained that this was the time to let search firm know what we are looking for in the next president such as what qualities are priorities. This information is being gathered to inform the position description and other documentation for the search. If you cannot attend the ECAS meeting, please attend one of the open sessions or feel free to attend both. K. Webb invited people to contact her or another committee member with comments as well.
- L. Hartley asked if the meeting times for the College Dean candidates had been announced yet. K. Webb stated that the time table should be announced soon.

Reports from Committees:

Academic Policies Committee: E. Mykytka reported that the committee had not met since the last ECAS meeting. The faculty survey about calendar issues was released this week and early signs indicate good participation (223 out of 800+ on day one). The survey closes Monday.

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

Faculty Affairs Committee: H. Gerla reported that the committee met last Friday to discuss the documentation of the Elections Committee. The committee recommends that the Election Committee include four members—one from ECAS/Senate, one from Faculty Board, and two appointed by the Provost, one tenured faculty member and one NTT-FT faculty member. New documents will be drafted based on the way the committee currently works.

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

Student Academic Policies Committee: In lieu of a SAPC member, E. Hicks reported that the committee had not met since the last ECAS meeting. J. McCombe continues to present the draft policy on academic dishonesty to various units. The committee will review the feedback and revise the draft with the goal of bringing the document to the full Senate in March. [Per L. Leming: next meeting is February 23rd at 9:00 am]

The committee meets on Mondays at 9 am as needed.

Student Representatives: D. Sanfilippo reported that the new student representatives to the CAP Committee had been identified. He will pass along their names for ECAS to approve.

Faculty Board: No report.

Old Business: none

New Business:

Approval of Agenda for February Academic Senate meeting:

J. Dunne stated that the APC would give a preliminary report on the faculty survey results during the committee report. The links to the tuition-related policies will be corrected. The agenda was unanimously approved with corrections.

Draft Statement on Conducting Research at the University of Dayton: The summary of comments compiled by C. Krane from the last ECAS discussion and J. Dunne's comments sent via email were discussed. J. Dunne stated that there should be a clear distinction between sponsored research and supported research. P. Benson agreed, but also stated that virtually all research is supported by the university to some degree. K. Webb noted that the responsibility for maintenance statement of the Restrictions on Acceptance of Sponsored Research policy listed the director of UDRI rather than the VP for Finance. A lecture turned publication about academic freedom by Fr. Heft was discussed. K. Webb will ask research librarian to track it down. ECAS role with policy document is consultative. ECAS role with draft Statement is to suggest changes and revise before sending document to Academic Senate for discussion. The origin of the Statement document was two Board of Trustees committees—Research and Mission/Identity.

All comments related the statement should be sent to C. Krane prior to the February 24th Provost Council meeting. P. Anloague will confer with E. Hicks and summarize comments from today for C. Krane.

Next ECAS Meeting: K. Webb stated that she would be bringing preliminary information about the possibility of offering a PhD in Marian Studies from the International Marian Research Institute (IMRI). IMRI would continue to offer the current programs leading to the Licentiate of Sacred Theology (S.T.L.) and a Doctorate of Sacred Theology (S.T.D.) in affiliation with the Pontifical Theological Faculty in Rome.

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

ECAS meeting with School of Law Dean Candidate 10:15-11:15 am, St. Mary's 113B

Respectfully submitted by Emily Hicks

Work in Progress

Task	Source	Previously assigned	To	Work due	Due
Instructional staff titles	Provost's office		FAC		
Academic Calendar Survey	Calendar Committee/APC	APC	ECAS	Survey and results	Feb 2015
Information Literacy	ECAS		Task Force	Initial report due to Senate	April 17, 2015
AS Constitution revision	ECAS		ECAS		
Dismissal for academic dishonesty	SBA	SAPC	Chairs/Program Directors		
Policy for academic certificate programs			APC		
Review ECAS/Senate representation on Elections Committee	ECAS		FAC		

Tasks ongoing					
Consultation	ECAS	ECAS	ECAS	Open communication	Ongoing
CAP oversight	Senate		APC	Hear reports as needed	
UNRC			ECAS	Hear reports as needed	