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Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
March 23, 2009
St. Mary’s 113 B; 1:00 PM

Present: D. Biers, D. Darrow (presiding), G. Doyle, H. Gauder, N. Jolani, R. Kearns, L. Laubach, A. Seielstad

Absent: P. Benson, J. Greenlee, A. Reichle, J. Saliba

Guest: J. Farrelly (Faculty Board), A. Mari (SGA V-P of Academic Affairs – elect)

Opening Prayer: R. Kearns opened the meeting with a prayer.

Roll Call: Eight of twelve members of the committee were present.

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of March 16, 2009 were approved as written.

Announcements:
1. Senator Jolani introduced Antonio Mari (SGA V-P of Academic Affairs – elect). He will be replacing Senator Jolani on the 2009 – 2010 Academic Senate and ECAS.
2. The Spring faculty meeting has been moved to 3:00 pm, Tuesday, May 5, 2009. The reason for the move is so that the administration can present the actual expected freshman enrollment for fall 2009.
3. SGA has passed an amendment to allow for a second academic senator within the School of Education and Allied Professions. This senator will represent the Allied Professions only. The amendment must go for a student vote. SGA will then ask the Academic Senate to accept another student member. This will go to committee for consideration. If approved by the committee and the Academic Senate, it would have to go to a faculty vote, because it changes the Constitution.
4. The University Promotion and Tenure elections are finished. Faculty are being notified.
5. Faculty Hearing Committee for Academic Freedom and Tenure is next to be elected.
6. The ECAS will meet in special session at 1:00 on Wednesday, April 15, 2009 in SM 113B.

Committee Reports:
Student Academic Policies Committee – The SAPC is waiting for a script to be prepared by SGA that will be read before the Assessment of Instruction forms are passed out.
Faculty Affairs Committee – no report
Academic Policies Committee – The APC is presently “dead in the water” as far as how to proceed with the Common Academic Program. Several suggestions were made.
   a. The ECAS should decide the next step
   b. The APC should decide the next step
   c. Might have a small committee write a new CAP over the summer
   d. Might have departments formulate CAP courses
   e. Might do it incrementally by topic
   f. Since any CAP will impact the professional schools more than the college, let the professional schools’ faculty suggest a CAP
   g. Might have a small subcommittee work on it over the summer to identify problems and suggest alternatives. It would be brought to the Senate in the fall.

ECAS members should think about how to proceed with CAP. A decision must be made by April 15.

Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 2:00 pm.

Next Meeting: The next meeting will be Wednesday, April 15, 2009 at 1:00 pm in St. Mary’s 113B

Respectfully Submitted By: George R. Doyle, Jr., Secretary of the Senate