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Approved
Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
October 5, 2009
St. Mary’s Hall Room 113B; 11:00 a.m.

Present: P. Benson, D. Biers, D. Darrow, B. Duncan, H. Gauder, R. Kearns, A. Mari, L. Laubach, J. Saliba, A. Seielstad, R. Wells

Guest: J. Farrelly (Faculty Board)

Opening Prayer: L. Laubach opened the meeting with a prayer.

Minutes: The minutes of September 28, 2009 were approved.

Announcements: J. Farrelly announced that a tentative date for the meeting scheduled by the Faculty Association Group has been set for Thursday, November 12, 2009 from 12:00 p.m to 1:30 p.m. The purpose of this meeting will be to discuss “post-tenure review.” University faculty will be encouraged to attend. Lunch will be provided by the Office of the Provost. D. Darrow reported that the nominating committee for the recruitment of volunteers for the various CAP committees has two faculty members from the Academic Senate. An invitation to all university faculty members will be sent out from the Office of the Provost and the President of the Academic Senate.

Old Business: Committee Reports
1. APC-P. Benson reported that P. Donnelly gave the committee an update on the CAP report. Tom Skill also reported on the architecture and other issues concerning the on-line bulletin.
2. FAC-D.Biers reported Heidi McGrew led a discussion pertaining to faculty titling. FAC will ask each Dean to define how faculty titles are used in their schools/college. S. Swavey reported on the progress his sub-committee is making concerning intellectual property rights. The lawyers on the committee questioned some of the language in the current document and are working on making the necessary language changes. The sub-committee has also questioned whether the currently existing UDRI intellectual property rights document needs to be changed. D. Biers updated the committee on his research and report given to the Academic
Senate on Friday, September 25, 2009. It appears that the consensus of academic senate members is that we do not need to develop a new document but our current post tenure review documents need to be strengthened and clarified.

3. SAPC-R. Kearns reported that the SAPC met on September 30, 2009. The SAPC committee was updated on the progress of ERIC. (see ECAS minutes of September 28, 2009). Kearns shared with ECAS the form entitled “Suggested Instructions to be given to students prior to course evaluations” and the modified form entitled “Suggested instructions to be given student prior to course evaluations.” A lengthy discussion about the proper usage of these forms followed. It was agreed that the content of the modified version of this form would be edited by R. Wells and J. Farrelly and brought back to ECAS at its October 12, 2009 meeting. It was also agreed (but not by consensus) that the content and importance of this form should be emphasized in the currently existing Introduction to the University Experience course, new faculty orientation and during selected portions of new student orientation.

4. The approved minutes of the CAP working groups have been posted to the Academic Senate Quickplace.

**New Business**-There was a spirited discussion concerning the “tentative 2010-2011 academic calendar.” J. Saliba noted that the “tentative calendar” has not been approved by the Provost’s Council. There is ongoing discussion in the Provost’s Council about the pros and cons of this calendar.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:09 p.m.

Next ECAS meeting is scheduled for Monday 12 October 2009, 11:00 a.m. in St. Mary’s 113B.

Respectively submitted by: Lloyd Laubach