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Approved
Minutes of the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate
November 30, 2009
St. Mary’s Rm 113B; 11:00 a.m.

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

Guest: J. Farrelly (Faculty Board)

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

Approval of Minutes: The minutes of November 23, 2009 were approved.

Committee Reports:

1. APC: P. Benson reported that the APC met on November 20, 2009. P. Donnelly gave an update on the CAP sub-committee meetings.

2. FAC: D. Biers reported that the FAC did not meet during this reporting period. The FAC will meet on December 3, 2009 and the focus of the meeting will be further discussion of Post Tenure Review.

3. SAPC: R. Kearns reported that the SAPC met on November 18, 2009. The meeting agenda focused on concerns pertaining to the Honor Board and the Honor Code. ECAS members discussed several issues that have been raised concerning the Proposal of Student Academic Policies Committee of the Academic Senate (SAPC) dated February 2007. A few of the questions raised by the ECAS members discussed the issue of equity; is there a document/policy that is in place and is it being consistently used across the University of Dayton campus; it was stated that there is a policy in the Student and Faculty Handbook; a question was raised about the handling of repeat offenders; it was suggested that SAPC review the student handbook and revise the existing honor code procedures. In summary, the three major concerns raised by ECAS were: (a) how do we keep track of repeat offenders; (b) is there opportunity for continued appeal; and (c) the development of a list of ambiguities in the Honor Code from the Student and Faculty Handbook would be helpful.

4. Nominating Committee: R. Wells reported the Nominating Committee is working on the following: the appointment of a faculty/staff member to head the University Elections Committee; Joyce Carter’s request from Human Resources for an ECAS member to assist in the development of selected human resources policies; and the development of processes/procedures for the Nominating Committee. Provost J. Saliba agrees with ECAS that perhaps a staff person rather than a faculty member could serve as the Chair of the University Elections Committee. Being consistent with past practices it was recommended that a member from ECAS and the Faculty Board be assigned to the University Elections Committee.
New Business:

1. Provost J. Saliba led a spirited discussion pertaining to the development of a post-tenure review document. Provost Saliba asked the FAC to review the document prepared by The Advisory Board Company, Washington, D.C. entitled *Post-Tenure Review: Policy and Practice*. FAC will meet on December 3, 2009 to begin discussion centered on the best practices for post-tenure review as recommended by this document.

2. D. Darrow reported that the on-line student evaluation of faculty teaching form will be pilot tested by the LTC during the Fall Semester 2009.

Meeting was adjourned at 12:12 p.m.

Next ECAS meeting is scheduled for Monday 7 December 2009, 11:00 a.m. in St. Mary’s 113B.

Respectfully submitted by: Lloyd Laubach