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Executive Committee of the Academic Senate (ECAS)

ACADEMIC SENATE UNIVERSITY OF DAYTON 2024-2025

MEETING AGENDA

FRIDAY, August 30, 2024 10-11:30 AM, SM 113B

President: Erin O'Mara Kunz **Vice President:** Jackie Arnold

Secretary: Kayla Harris

Members: Jackie Arnold, Ali Carr-Chellman, Garrett Conti, Jen Dalton, Chelse Prather, Joel Pruce (Faculty Board), Deo Eustace, Jon Fulkerson, Kayla Harris, Suki Kwon, Erin O'Mara

Kunz, Andrea Seielstad, Rachel Yeager, Darlene Weaver

Present: Jackie Arnold, Ali Carr-Chellman, Garrett Conti, Jen Dalton, Chelse Prather, Jon Fulkerson, Kayla Harris, Suki Kwon (virtual), Erin O'Mara Kunz, Rachel Yeager, Darlene Weaver

Absent: Deo Eustace, Andrea Seielstad, Joel Pruce (Faculty Board)

Opening

- Call to Order (E. Kunz)
- Opening prayer/meditation (K. Harris) [Prayer/meditation sign up here]
- VOTE: approval of minutes from August 23, 2024 meeting
 - Minutes approved by unanimous consent

Announcements

- September 6, 2024: Fall Faculty and Staff meeting, KU Ballroom/Torch Lounge (reception), 2:30-4:30pm
- September 27, 2024: Academic Senate Meeting, KU Ballroom, 3:30-5:30pm

Agenda Items

- DISCUSSION: Priorities for 24-25 AY
 - Review running <u>list</u> of potential priorities for the 24-25 AY; develop initial charges for each subcommittee
 - Curricular changes Erin received CAP Arts proposal. Urgency for this to be approved so it can happen for spring (expanding what counts). Full proposal for permanent changes would be given to APC
 - Q: Why urgent for spring?
 - A: Don't know yet
 - APC: Co-majors

- May need to also provide clarification on what a major is. Also need to standardize how this works in the College vs the Schools. SEHS approach is more flexible for students
- Plan to update the charge from last year with where the group got last time and the additional issues illuminated from the co-major discussion.
- BPM: Currently we allow 6 credits to "double count" for undergraduate and graduate, whereas the state allows up to 9 credits. At 9 credits, the State has to be notified but the Office of Graduate Academic Affairs is on board to do this.
 - Q: Should we allow a Dean on this working group?
 - A: This might be more in the weeds / details
 - Erin will contact the Deans and solicit a name from SEHS, SoE, SBA, and the College for this working group
- SAPC: Academic Honor Code, clarify language in DOC 2022-05
 - Clarify when a student can withdraw and when they cannot for individual academic honor code violations within policy
 - May also need to identify "additional consequences."
 - Will plan to draft a charge for this issue
- SAPC: Student appeal proceeds for academic dismissal and probation
 - No existing policy in the student policies list and students need a policy to understand their rights. It is possible that units may have policies but there is no University policy
 - Will plan to draft a charge for this issue
- SAPC: Early registration times
 - There are many reasons for students to register early, but there have been questions raised about students coming in with many credits registering early based on classification
 - Guiding principle that students who have less time here, need to register first, we want students to be able to get through their program within 4 years
 - What accommodations come with an early registration (OLR)
 - Q: Have some changes already been made to registration times?
 - A: Yes, some changes have already been implemented. Lee and Carolyn could provide a summary of those changes
 - Wait lists could be useful for this. Clarity is needed about when faculty can let someone further down on the list into the course if it's needed to have them matriculate in 4 years.
 - Q: Who determines if a class has a wait list?
 - A: Seems to be up to the department and the faculty teaching since not all courses utilize waitlists
 - Will start with the other two SAPC charges first and this will be next on the list
- FAC: Faculty Hearing Committee on Academic Freedom on Tenure and Bylaws (DOC 2022-08)

- Policy needs to be revised. Was recently updated but in practice it is not working the way it should
- There is also no policy for professional faculty
- FAC: Outside Work Policy (DOC 2018-07)
 - Conflict of Interest policy being updated from Legal Affairs (discussed last year at ECAS)
 - Things that need permission vs. things that don't, and clarification on the criteria used to grant permission
 - Q: How does this work for staff?
 - A: Conflict of Interest is for everyone and is vetted by Legal and then for faculty it would then go to the Provost Office for permission. Staff has a different pathway and Legal will be addressing this
- FAC: Additional priorities
 - There are other priorities for FAC to address after the Faculty Hearing Committee on Academic Freedom on Tenure and Bylaws, and Outside Work Policy, but after the Office of Academic Research is up and running
- Faculty-Facilities Committee
 - There have been issues where faculty have needed to liaise with Facilities and there is not a formal channel to do this
 - Other universities have similar committees, example of Wright State University
 - Creating new standard subcommittee requires updating senate policy, but it is possible to create a standing group with appointment
- **UNRC:** Erin will email everyone about changes to the proposed form. The bylaws state that ECAS needs to approve it.

Motion to adjourn (J. Fulkerson, G. Conti)

• Passed with unanimous consent.

Meeting adjourned 11:31 am

Respectfully submitted by Kayla Harris, Secretary to the Academic Senate.