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

Present: Phil Anloague, Paul Benson, Erin Brown, Jim Dunne, Harry Gerla, Linda Hartley, Emily Hicks, Carissa Krane, Laura Leming, Ed Mykytka, Dominic Sanfilippo

Absent: Kathy Webb

Guests: Corinne Daprano (Faculty Board), Pat Donnelly (Office of the Provost), Sean Gallivan (FT-NTT Senator)

Opening prayer/meditation: P. Anloague opened the meeting with a prayer.

Minutes: The minutes of the February 27, 2015, ECAS meeting were approved with corrections.

Announcements:

- Next ECAS meeting is Friday, March 20, 2015, 9:00-10:30 am, St. Mary's 113B
- Next Academic Senate meeting is Friday, March 13, 2015, 3:00 pm KU East Ballroom
- ELC meeting Monday, March 16, 2015, 9:30-11:30 am KU 316
 - This will be the last ELC meeting of the semester
- DOC 2007-05 Processes and Procedures of the Academic Senate needs to be updated
- How ECAS worked last summer needs to be documented for the next ECAS
- Dave Yeager, chair of the Presidential Search Committee, commented on his experience with recent sessions with various campus groups by saying that he had known the business of the university by being on the Board of Trustees, but now he had seen the soul of the university
- The dates for the November and December Academic Senate meetings were confirmed: November 13th and December 11th
- Starting in Fall 2015, the Academic Senate meeting time will shift from 3:00-5:00 to 3:30-5:30 pm due to the new class schedule
- Laura Leming will be on sabbatical for the 2015-2016 academic year

J. Dunne asked who are the "Members of the University" as referred to in Article VII, Section 2 of the Code of Regulations section about how a president is chosen. According to Article VI, Section 1 of the Code of Regulations:

The Members of the University of Dayton shall consist of each of the members of the Provincial Council of Marianist Province of the United States and each of the Chairperson and the Secretary of the Board of Trustees of the University of Dayton. The Provincial of the Marianist Province of the United States serves as the Chairperson of the University and the Vice Chairperson of the Board of Trustees.

For more information: <https://www.udayton.edu/legalaffairs/governingdocs/code-of-regulations-page.php>

Reports from Committees:

Academic Policies Committee: E. Mykytka reported that the committee had reviewed the numerical survey results. The survey results were shared with the University Calendar Committee at the Tuesday, March 10th meeting. The final survey results will be shared with the Academic Senate at this afternoon's meeting, including trends and themes from the comments. The executive summary prepared for the Academic Senate will be widely distributed. Next steps include the results from both surveys (faculty and student) will be given to the Provost's Council along with the University Calendar Committee's options for the 2016-17 and 2017-18 academic calendars. The APC Committee intended to collect information, not make recommendations so no recommendation or preferred schedule will be forthcoming from the APC. All survey participants will be sent a link to the final report. On a related matter, the APC may make a recommendation to thoroughly review the summer schedule.

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

D. Sanfilippo briefly reported results from the student calendar survey. The results were shared with the University Calendar Committee on March 10th. He will report the results at this afternoon's Academic Senate meeting. Several ECAS members stated that they had heard students saying that the university was trying to take St. Patrick's Day away.

Faculty Affairs Committee: H. Gerla reported that the committee had not met since the last ECAS meeting. The FAC meets at 11:00 am on the first and third Fridays.

Student Academic Policies Committee: L. Leming reported that the committee had not met. The next meeting will be March 23rd. The proposed revisions to the Academic Honor Code are up for discussion and possible vote at this afternoon's Academic Senate meeting.

New Business:

Academic Senate Membership: Senator Sean Gallivan (FT-NTT) discussed a proposal from the FT-NTT faculty to consider changes in the membership of the Academic Senate to include more representation from the FT-NTT faculty. Senate membership was last considered during the 2011-2012 academic year. P. Donnelly briefly reviewed the 2012 report from the Committee on Voting Rights and Senate Representation. The committee recommended that further discussion be deferred due to a projected plan to add 40+ faculty lines over the next couple of years. S. Gallivan stated that the growth in numbers of FT-NTT faculty is not reflected in Senate representation (currently 1 for 161). In addition, the one year term limit is very problematic. Other faculty representatives (with the exception of adjunct faculty) have three-year limits. S. Gallivan also explained that the membership of the Executive Committee of the Academic Senate does not include FT-NTT or adjunct faculty representatives. J. Dunne stated that the initial composition of the Academic Senate did not include any non-tenure track faculty. P. Anloague suggested comparing our Senate representation to the Academic Senate representation at other universities and aligning our membership with strategic planning. P. Benson stated that faculty composition will always be in flux. He also stated that turnover among faculty did not happen at expected levels for a few years after 2008. C. Daprano expressed support for increasing term limits for FT-NTT Senators. She also suggested investigating a proportional solution that would keep the overall number of Senators the same, but base the representation on the number of each type of faculty. J. Dunne stated that only two positions have university-wide elections (FT-NTT & adjuncts).

Summary of request:

- Reconstitute the Senate Composition Committee to
 - Identify a formula-based plan for equitable AS composition that can be applied to current and future compositions of faculty
 - Across and within academic units
 - Across tenured/tenure-track, non-tenure-track, and adjunct faculty lines
 - Identify time frame for automatic reapplication of composition formula to reconstitute AS composition
 - Reassess and re-establish term lengths that allow for equity across faculty subgroups

C. Krane stated that there was general consensus to reconstitute a committee to investigate these issues. This group will work over the summer and report in the fall with the goal of having the changes (if any) in place for the next Senate elections. L. Leming requested that the work of the committee include discussions of workload for FT-NTT and adjunct faculty in relation to service on the Academic Senate. A motion was made, seconded, and unanimously passed to reconstitute the committee.

Old Business:

Consultative Matters Document: This issue was tabled for lack of time.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:35 A.M.

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	
CAP oversight	Senate		APC	Hear reports as needed	
UNRC			ECAS	Hear reports as needed	