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**Approved Minutes**  
Executive Committee  
Academic Senate, University of Dayton  
January 14, 2016  
SM113B, 9:00-10:30am

**Attending:** Anloague, Bednarak, Benson, Dingle, Haus, Hicks, Jacobs, Krane (Chair), Picca, Spaulding

**Opening**

- Call to order
- Opening prayer/meditation –Carissa Krane
- Approval of minutes from 12/17/15 ECAS meeting
  - Action was delayed until Secretary Andy Slade returns. Leslie Picca served as secretary in Slade’s absence.

**Announcements**

- Welcome to Mark Jacobs who has replaced Jim Dunne (sabbatical leave) on ECAS/ELC
- Next ECAS meeting Thursday January 21, 9-10:30, SM 113B
- Next ELC/Academic Senate meeting, Friday January 22, 3:30-5:30 pm
  - Draft Senate agenda
    - APC indicated they are not ready to move the Course Retake Policy to Senate; this will be planned for the February Senate meeting.
    - The main agenda items will be the BOT debrief, presentation by V.P. Andy Horner, and committee reports.
    - The documents distributed on Porches will be the Senate agenda and Dec. 11 Senate meeting minutes.
  - Draft Dec 11 Senate meeting minutes
    - Andy Slade will send the minutes shortly.
  - ECAS to vote to approve agenda
    - Motion. Seconded. Unanimous approval.
- ECAS meeting with VP for EM&M Search Firm: Thursday Jan 21, 11:30am-12:00 pm, LTC 028
- ECAS meeting with VP for Diversity and Inclusion Search Firm/Committee: Monday Jan 25, 3:30-4:30 pm, KU 310
- Follow-up on Final Exam Scheduling –P. Benson
  - In response to Senator Caroline Merithew’s question regarding scheduling conflicts during final exams, Paul Benson shared the results of consultation he had regarding this issue. Benson spoke with Patsy Martin to get a sense if there was a broader concern with the final exam scheduling. There doesn’t seem to be a concern regarding final exam scheduling beyond a few isolated incidents. Patsy Martin does customize some final exam schedules for programmatic needs, so if there is a concern, it can be brought before Martin. There is a concern that if changes were made to the final exam

schedule, it would cause more problems. Carissa Krane will report back to Caroline Merithew.

- Update on Modern Think Survey planned for March—P. Benson
  - A Modern Think Survey was conducted in 2009 and 2011; the next survey will be around March 8-22, 2016. This is generally a good time in the semester for gathering data. The questions will be the same, so the results will be compared with previous years. There will be advanced communication from the President's Office, and Troy Washington can provide more information if needed. They are developing a process to share the results. In 2009 and 2011, there was some frustration as different division heads shared the data in different ways, and there needs to be a uniform way to share the results. Questions can be sent to Troy Washington, who could possibly present to Senate or ELC in February. Paul Benson will also announce this at the February 12<sup>th</sup> faculty meeting which will provide another opportunity to address questions and concerns with the faculty.
- Campus preparation for VP for Advancement Search Consultant visit—P. Benson
  - Paul Benson will chair of this committee, and the search consultants will be on campus February 4-5. The committee will be small, and the search is a competitive national search. A question was raised whether or not ECAS would like to meet with the search consultants. A discussion ensued, and the consensus is there is no need for ECAS to have a separate meeting with the search firm. This position is focused on structure, process and personnel, and not about creating priorities for advancement. The role of ECAS is to encourage faculty to attend open forums, and to move questions forward to the committee faculty representatives. ECAS is happy to have future meetings with candidates.

### **New business**

- SBA Senators/APC/CAPC rep: Serdar Durmusoglu—CAPC appointment
  - Motion. Seconded. Unanimous approval.
- UNRC VP for EM&M nominees for faculty to serve on Search Committee (attached)
  - Paul Benson stepped out of the conversation. ECAS is asked to forward the names of four people to serve on this search committee. A discussion ensued regarding the UNRC process.
  - Motion: Forward the names Michelle Hayford, Bob Kearns, Katy Kelly, Willie Morris. Seconded. Unanimous approval.
- Draft of ECAS request to UNRC for faculty to serve on provost search committee
  - The request is to forward the names of 18 people (three people from each of the six units) to potentially serve on this committee. ECAS was reminded about the importance of confidentiality in this process, and that we are doing the work of faculty as elected representatives. A modification was made to the draft to adjust the due date to two weeks from the time the announcement is distributed. Ideally, nominations will be secured before the 1/28/16 ECAS meeting.
  - Consensus is that with the date adjustment, the document will be moved forward to UNRC.

- Draft of ECAS request to UNRC for faculty to serve on VP for Advancement search committee
  - Similar to the previous discussion, the consensus is that with the date adjustment, the document will be moved forward to UNRC.
- Statement on Conducting Research and Restrictions-email and Draft document from Fr. Fitz that was sent to the BOT (attached email dated 7 Jan 2016)
  - A discussion ensued regarding the next steps on the Statement on Conducting Research and Restrictions. Some possible next steps include: Inviting Fr. Jim Fitz to report back to Senate regarding the conversations at the BOT; this shouldn't be a one-sided discussion, and feedback from the mission & identity committee might assist Senate in know the next steps. There could be a panel discussion or forum on campus to discuss the various issues that were raised in the document. We could employ a model similar to conversations that took place in the 1980s regarding strategic defense at UD; outside experts were brought in, and it transpired to a writing project and other research. Senate could facilitate the effort of creating a steering committee; Senate would facilitate the broader conversations, but not drive the conversations.
  - Some of the issues raised in the statement are too broad to tackle; Senate should provide focus. There is still confusion regarding what the "statement" means (vs. a white paper or a position); Senate has to consider policy.
  - Carissa Krane will reach out to Fr. Jim Fitz and ask if he can inform Paul Benson or Dan Curran about the BOT discussions to report back to Senate. This will facilitate conversation on the next steps.
- Assignments for FAC, SAPC, APC for 2016
  - FAC: Clinical Faculty titles; UNRC Function and Guidelines for Use
  - APC: Course Retake Policy; SOE Proposal EO&Photonics Department; SOE proposal for merger of engineering management with engineering technology
  - SAPC
  - ECAS: Policy on interim appointments-A. Seielstad and L. Picca
    - Janet Bednarak and Dorie Spaulding indicated possible interest in engaging in this work.

Adjourned. 10:23am.

Respectfully submitted,

Leslie Picca