Western Kentucky University Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes March 2, 2020 Faculty House

Introduction

- Members present (Substitute): Laura Bohuski, Colin Farrell, Ann Ferrell, Guy Jordan, Jim Lindsey, Sue Lynn McDaniel, Tony Paganelli, Matt Pruitt, David Serafini, Julie Shadoan, Kandy Smith, Mary Wolinski, Claus Ernst, Will Harris (Garrett Edmonds) and Cheryl Stevens (Robert Hale).
- Guest Present: Rhianna Plemons and Jennifer Hammond.
- J. Shadoan called a regular meeting of SEC to order at 3:15.

A. Approve minutes of previous month's SEC Meeting:

1. SEC Meeting Minutes 2.3.20: Moved Pruitt; Second Serafini. Motion Approved.

B. Officer Reports

- 1. Chair Julie Shadoan
- Modifications to the Senate Website: Working with Jessica Steenberg.
- Discussion with Provost:
 - Course Fees and Programming modifications.
 - Program Evaluation and CPE: in process of providing access to Grey Database to most Deans. Report due in June but have not made much headway on that report.
 - Committee for Course Fees (Exception of DELO and GLEA(study abroad)) Issued draft report, hoping to share that soon.
 - Evaluation of other fees is hopefully also coming soon.
- Meeting with President about Resolutions—Open to talking about resolutions and is coming to April SEC.
 - Alternatives to Resolutions: Action Items, Information items, or Memos?
 - Discussion about how Senate will communicate with the President moving forward on issues. Also, the purview of the Senate regarding issues such as Budget.
 - G. Jordan, L. McClain, M. Pruitt, J. Shadoan, M. Wolinski.
- 2. Vice Chair Margaret Crowder (Absent)
- 3. Secretary Laura Bohuski

C. Standing Committee Reports:

- 1. Academic Quality, David Serafini: (Report posted)
- Move for Approval of AQ report: Motion Approved.
 - Question about our compliance with the Campus Free Speech Act and the outcome of the ad hoc meeting between AQ and FW committee.
 - Next meeting March 6th at 1pm.
- 2. Budget and Finance, Guy Jordan: (No report)

- Meeting taken up in discussion of the discovery of the process to privatize the WKU store.
- R. Hale: will try to find out where we are in the process.
- Involved in discussion: R. Hale, G. Jordan, M. Pruitt, D. Serafini.
- 3. Colonnade/General Education, Mary Wolinski: (Report posted)
 - Move for Approval of the Colonnade Report: <u>Motion Approved.</u>
- 4. Faculty Welfare and Professional Responsibilities, Lauren McClain: (Report posted)
 - Move for Approval of the FW report: Motion Approved.
 - Discussion about how the University would conduct reviews if not using the post-tenure review format. Doing an activity report? Something more like Digital Measures? Multiple options were mentioned and discussed. R. Hale; M. Wolinski; L. McClain.
- 5. Graduate Council, Ann Ferrell: (Report posted)
 - Move for Approval of the GC report (Matt Pruitt): <u>Motion Approved.</u>
 - C. Farrell: Fix course links before it goes to Senate
- 6. Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Anthony Paganelli: (Report posted)
 - a. UCC Report 1-21-2020
 - Motion to include January UCC Report: Motion Approved.
 - J. Shadoan: New course changes have to be implemented by January.
 - b. UCC Report 2-20-2020
 - Motion to include February UCC Report: Motion Approved.

D. Other Committee Reports:

- 1. Faculty Handbook, Kirk Atkinson: (No report)
- 2. Coalition of Senate and Faculty Leadership (COSFL), Molly Kerby: (No report)
- 3. American Association of University Professors (AAUP), Margaret Crowder: (No report)

E. Advisory Member Reports:

- 1. Faculty Regent, Claus Ernst
- Meeting on Friday but only one new item, reconstruction of classrooms to increase class size for nursing school.
 - Discussion about the impact of this improvement and the overall reason for this improvement.
- 2. Provost, Cheryl Stevens (Rob Hale)
 - Candidates for Associate Provost of Research and Graduate Studies are on campus.
 - Corona Virus: plans being made, Provost sent out email about this today.
- 3. SGA President, Will Harris (Garrett Edmonds)
 - Rally for Higher Education tomorrow

- CPE will push for the performance-based funding model.
- Several pieces of legislation on docket tomorrow, meeting at hammock areas near residence halls.

F. Old Business:

- 1. AA Policy 05 1.1304 Sabbatical Leave
- Motion to Approve: Laura Bohuski; Second L. McClain. Motion Approved.
- 3. Honoring Dr. Burch during May meeting.

G. New Business:

- 1. AA Policy 07 1.2001 Full-Time, Non-Tenure Track Faculty Contracts
- Motion to approve: D. Serafini, L. McClain. Motion Approved.
 - Discussion about impact of policy on Lecturer position.
- 2. AA Policy Revision 1.1990 Pedagogical
 - Motion to approve: L. McClain, T. Paganelli. Motion Approved.
 - Discussion about the vagueness of terminology of pedagogical faculty, want to move BGCC faculty into Pedagogical track to remove a remnant position line, will not require BGCC faculty to move into new line. R. Hale, C. Ernst, and other senators.
- 3. Senate Terms for Senate Leadership (Laura Bohuski).
 - Thoughts about instituting terms for Senate Leadership, such as a set term for Chair so a relationship can be developed between Senate and University Administration. Will present a resolution at next SEC for discussion.
- 4. Charter/Calendar: Motion to approve: L. McClain; M. Pruitt. Motion Approved.
 - Calendar: Change days for UCC and Budget council, UCC to Tuesday and Budget to Thursday.
 - Charter revisions: Are 2014 revisions that never made it to the charter. They were voted on and approved but never made it in the Charter.
 - Charter Changes by email.

H. Information Items:

Adjournment: M. Pruitt 5:00pm