

Fairmont State University Faculty Senate

Minutes

December 11, 2012

303 Education Building

3:00-5:00 p.m.

Attendance: J. Webb-Dempsey (President), M. Abbott, J. Bolyard, C. Edwards, E. Gailey, R. Harvey, D. Hemler, M. Hokom, T. Hutchins, S. Kelley, G. Kirby, D. Long, B. Mild, J. O'Connor, S. Roof, M. Ryan, B. Sapp, C. Shields, P. Snively, C. White, J. Yerdon LeJeune.

Visitors: M. Rose, C. Lavorata, J. Kirby, D. Shields, T. Oxley

I. Reading and approval of minutes of November 2012 meeting – Long moved to accept and Hemler seconded. Motion carried.

II. Announcements / Information / Discussion

- **BOG representative** – Mild reported:

- Next regularly scheduled BOG Meeting December 13, 2012
- BOG met last week with the auditors and auditors reported that no corrections were needed
- Other financial discussions included the restructuring of Bonds to save approximately \$500,000 in over 20 years
- The financial master plan was approved.
- It was also reported that the OPEB liability will have an increase this year, but a decrease next year in addition to the 7 ½% cut next year.
- Overall the financial health of the institution is good. FSU is currently rated 13/17 in undergraduate rates. This means that only 4 institutions in the state have lower undergraduate rates than FSU.

- **ACF representative** – Kelley reported:

- ACF – has reported that there will be no increase in premiums or co-pays this year but ACF is still concerned with outcomes based funding.
- Issues have been raised about faculty raises. Senator Plymale has stated that this is an issue for the BOG not the state and that the institutions have more money than ever and we should be rolling in it.
- AFT has requested a series of raises for the next three years for public school teachers and higher-ed faculty is tied to that.

- **Student Government** – No student representation available.

- **MyCampus Reorganization Overview –**
 - MyCampus primarily pertains to students/faculty/staff but is in the process of being reorganized to offer more resources. These resources will be provided under various tabs. For example, the forms available under the forms repository will be moved to the forms tab on MyCampus.
 - Availability of materials will be based on what groups the individual belongs.
 - O'Connor asked how information can be posted to specific "majors". Shane reported these materials would be posted under the student "Academics" tab.
 - Long expressed that English Education majors are listed as Education majors but will need access to information for English majors as well.
 - Main FSU website will be transformed to more of a recruiting tool. All on campus needs will be eventually moved to MyCampus.

- **Administrator Evaluations –**
 - Deans/Presidents/etc. are evaluated annually
 - President Rose has offered to pay for Administrator IDEA evaluations. This was originally used when she first became Provost and the plan was to evaluate a different VP every year.
 - President Rose wanted to know if faculty would like to pursue this option.
 - Webb-Dempsey asked if Presidential Evaluation Committee would review this evaluation method and report back next meeting. Long also asked if the committee would also help determine who needs evaluated. Webb-Dempsey stated that the committee can make suggestions to be forwarded to the President.
 - Current process is that all VPs are only evaluated by the President.
 - Webb-Dempsey will call a committee meeting and present the charge to the committee.

- **General Studies Update –** T. Oxley was asked to report the current status of GS committee actions.
 - Webb-Dempsey will ask GS to post the most current list of approved courses.
 - Oxley stated course list is still being updated, but will be finalized in time for catalog.
 - Long asked if INFO 1100 was on the GS list. Oxley stated it has been removed.
 - Oxley reported that the GS committee will accept proposals for inclusion until faculty development week in January.
 - The Committee will still consider courses for review and inclusion in GS list.
 - Posting of the list needs to be shared with the FS Webmaster and the IT Web Designers.
 - Lavorata stated that anything that goes on the forms repository needs to be given to Kevin Funk

III. New Business

Curriculum Proposals – Shields moved to approve all 6 of the proposals listed below for first reading. Harvey seconded. Motion passed.

- **Curriculum Proposal – 12-13-16** (BA in Communication Arts)
 - O'Connor referenced that the proposal is requiring courses that are being changed in Proposal 12-13-19.
 - Proposal sent back to the committee for correction.
- **Curriculum Proposal – 12-13-19** (Changes to 4 Journalism Courses)
 - Roof motion to move forward for 2nd reading. O'Connor 2nd the motion.
 - O'Connor stated that proposal changes will affect 12-13-16.
 - Harvey suggested sending it back to Curriculum to make corrections.
 - O'Connor moved to table 12-13-19. Long second the motion.
- **Curriculum Proposal – 12-13-20** (Hospitality Management)
 - Harvey motion to accept for 2nd reading. O'Connor 2nd the motion.
 - Motion Passed.
- **Curriculum Proposal – 12-13-21** (National Security and Intelligence)
 - O'Connor motion to accept for 2nd reading. Shields 2nd the motion.
 - Motion Passed.
- **Curriculum Proposal – 12-13-23** (Criminal Justice)
 - Hemler motion to accept for 2nd reading. Harvey 2nd the motion.
 - Long asked why so many general studies credits were eliminated
 - Shields state that opens up for 27 hours of free electives so that students can take a minor.
 - Motion Passed.
- **Curriculum Proposal – 12-13-24** (History and History Education)
 - Hemler motion to accept for 2nd reading. O'Connor 2nd the motion.
 - Motion Passed.

IV. Open Forum

- White asked what the protocol for funding new faculty lines is, is it still based on number of majors. He asked because this may change course loads with the offering of new GS courses.
- Rose stated that as FSU and Pierpont continue on the separation, separate databases will be maintained as well as course listings. This will change the enrollment for courses.
- Long stated the concern that English will not obtain a faculty line for English Education majors even though they are listed as Education majors.

- Hemler asked how this protocol will affect the SCIE courses. Lavorata stated that prefixes will be owned by institutions so Pierpont won't be able to use the same ones.
- C. Shields asked if there is an articulation agreement. D. Shields stated that there is a meeting scheduled Friday, December 14 to explain.
- Facilities –
 - Lavorata reported that she is meeting Leslie Lovett in the near future to continue dividing up classrooms. It will be based on usage and funding spent by each institution in the classrooms.
 - Harvey reported that a Ceiling projector was stolen last week in Jaynes Hall and has been asking around about it.
 - Harvey expressed the concern for the Falcon Center to charge back rental of areas on campus.
 - Faculty expressed concerns on several occasions where they are being charged in their budgets because of student learning activities in the falcon center.
 - Rose stated that she will discuss this concern with the President's cabinet to see if this protocol can be more defined. She will update faculty next meeting.
- Faculty reported that students are not providing much feedback on the IDEA online because they can be identified. Lavorata asked for a list of comments and she will follow up. Kirby also asked that the issue of team taught classes be addressed.

V. Meeting adjourned 4:36 pm Tuesday, December 12, 2012.

Next Meeting: 15 January 2013

Rm. 303 ED
3:00-5:00 p.m.

**If you have items for the agenda please send your request to the President of the Senate by Tuesday morning, one week prior to the next Senate meeting, for consideration at the Executive Committee Meeting.*

Respectfully submitted by Mit Abbott, Faculty Senate Secretary

15 January 2013