

## SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

November 24, 2015

2:30-4:30 pm

Room

110 Olscamp Conference

**Present:** Allen Rogel (FS Chair), Rachelle Hipper (FS Vice-Chair), Robyn Miller (FS Secretary), Peter Blass (A&S), David Border (TAAE), Timothy Brackenbury (HHS), Kerry Fan (TAAE), Mariana Mitova (EDHD), Stephanie Walls (Firelands), Arne Spohr (CMA).

**INVITEE:** Bill Swaya and Jane Rosser

**PRESIDER:** Chair Allen Rogel

Meeting began at 2:30 p.m.

### APPROVE MINUTES:

*MOTION: (Rachelle Hippler) Move to approve minutes from November 10, 2015 (Second: Mariana Mitova). Minutes approved unanimously.*

### OLD BUSINESS:

CCCE Proposal- Dr. Jane Rosser discussed that there had not been a fiscal impact statement that went through FAAC. There has since been a fiscal impact statement reviewed and supported by FAAC for the name change of the center. Bill Swaya discussed that the Provost had endorsed the fiscal impact statement and FAAC has supported it.

*Discussion:* The CCCE will have two full time in administration, and a full time secretary. The staff will mainly be undergrad and grad students. There will be a lot of collaboration with faculty associate to help with funding. The big vision is to attract external funds, all work will be rooted in faculty expertise. There is a desire to go through faculty governance and to have program growth that will create new programs. BGSU has strength in its community partnerships. The hope is to create new structures with big goals, but it will take a community to make it happen. CAA has endorsed the CCCE proposal. There was a discussion concerning faculty from Firelands. It was discussed that faculty from Firelands will be able to serve in learning communities. The office is also exploring international engagement and find online ways for learning communities. By changing the name there will be more opportunities for external funding. We want to make sure we have good connections with the community and good feedback from the community.

*Motion to approve CCCE to put on Senate agenda (Arne Spohr) Second (Kerry Fan). Motion carried.*

## **NEW BUSINESS:**

HB 48 (concealed carry on campus): Chair Rogel discussed whether this is something that Senate should discuss. Right now BGSU is a gun free zone and the penalty for bringing a gun on campus is classified as a felony. HB 48 will reduce the penalty to a misdemeanor. The bill would allow the BOT to decide the University's individual policies on concealed carry. The BOT can decide to keep the University a gun free zone, or allow concealed carry on campus. The bill would change the fact that if a University decides to remain gun free; if there is a shooting, the University could be legally liable. The bill has been approved by the State House and has to go to the State Senate and is expected to pass.

*Discussion:* We should probably act now in order that we can lobby the legislature concerning the bill. Looking to see if Monica Moll would help set up an ad hoc committee to discuss this bill instead of bringing it to the Senate floor. The charge of the committee will be as

follows: "Determine whether or not to draft a Faculty Senate resolution to address HB48, and if so, to draft such a resolution to be delivered to the State Senate and/or other appropriate bodies."

*Motion:* *Motion to form an ad hoc committee (Peter Blass). Second (Stephanie Walls). Motion carried.*

*Discussion:* Time frame, Charter says 90 calendar days will encourage committee to work as fast as possible. Senate resolution does not have to go to BOT but will go to State Senate and will be circulated to BOT. Com/Com will staff committee.

### Adjunct Faculty Council Letter

There are only three representatives from seven colleges within the University. The adjunct faculty would like a voice not just on faculty senate but also with the colleges and departments. They received a vote on the Firelands Council. Chair Rogel wrote a letter of support to Firelands Council and Senate can write letters of support as well.

*Discussion-* The adjunct faculty council would like to conduct a survey of all adjunct faculty, Senate can help by running this survey. SEC can have input on what questions to ask on the survey. Some colleges have very few adjuncts, therefore the involvement of adjuncts on college committees would be very difficult. There is also a concern that adjunct do not get paid very much in the first place and then to ask them to do a service on top of that could be problematic. The purpose of the committee was to reach out to adjuncts. If there are cases where adjuncts have been teaching for awhile then they should be aware if a full time position comes open for classes they are teaching. The list of adjuncts changes every semester. The colleges will do elections for adjuncts to serve on the committee. The seat is for 2 years if the adjunct's contract is not renewed then the seat becomes available. A&B could draft Charter language to include adjuncts, departments would have to recognize them if it is in the Charter, however would probably not be good politically. The Faculty Association by law can not represent adjuncts. FA has an interest in a survey in case there are adjuncts who should be NTTF faculty. The waiver for the Affordable Health Care Act in order to teach more courses maybe illegal by federal law.

**ISSUES/CONCERNS:** Stephanie Walls discussed that there is not Business representative to SEC. There was a discussion that it is going to be very difficult to get someone to volunteer to represent the Business department to SEC.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn (Rachelle Hippler) Second (Stephanie Walls).

Meeting adjourned 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Robyn Miller, secretary: November 30, 2015