



FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

February 6, 2018
2:30-4:30pm

Assembly Room, McFall Center

CALL TO ORDER- Chair David Border

ROLL CALL CHAIR REMARK

- **Chair of the Faculty Senate – Dr. David Border-**
 - Welcomed Senators and Board of Trustees Chair Megan Newlove.

COMMUNICATIONS

(Note: See back of agenda for summary updates from groups not reporting from the floor.)

- **Dr. Rodney Rogers, Interim President-**

Interim President Rodney Rogers made comments regarding the capital budget, a state grant program, and a new initiative by the IUC.

The University is waiting to learn more about the funding from the state for capital projects. The President remains positive that funding will be available.

President Rogers announced that BGSU will receive a portion of the “Strong Start to Finish” grant awarded to the Ohio Department of Higher Education. He recognized faculty members Michelle Heckman and Kate Dailey for their collaborative work with the IUC on this project.

Dr. Rogers also shared that the Inter-University Council is working on an informational campaign to raise awareness of the value of higher education in Ohio. As part of the campaign, IUC institutions will be partnering to tell the impact of higher education for both individuals and the state. As part of the IUC, BGSU is participating in this initiative.

Questions:

Q: David Border: What Universities have not participated in the tuition guarantee? Is UC one of them?

Q: Stephanie Walls- How will the tuition guarantee affect Firelands?

A: Dr. Rogers- Some included 2yrs, some have not, we have not made that decision yet.

- **Dr. John Fischer, Acting Senior Vice President for Academic Affairs and Provost**

University Wide Evaluations- I want to recognize those who are here who serve on the University Wide Assessment Committee: Julia Matuga and Jessica Turros. Assessment systems and learning outcomes are particularly important to accrediting bodies. I want to thank them and all involved in the BG Perspectives and university wide assessment efforts, and most importantly, congratulate them on their award and national recognition.

Student Evaluations – Are a teaching tool and this university wide evaluation is the product of a joint committee. How this and other teaching evaluation tools are used is a product of the CBA and the local units' decision. We do need university level data for the big picture.

Student retention- If we are going to meet our retention goal the work begins now. Thanks to Cecilia Castellano our numbers look strong. President's Day is coming up, that is one of the biggest days for students to interact with faculty and one of the best resources to yield enrollment.

Questions:

Q: Craig Zirbel- I understand there is a need for evaluations, but do they have to be quantitative? Are the questions the best ones?

A: Dr. Fischer- There will be open ended spaces after each question.

Q: Kitty Burroughs- What is the participation in the early alert system?

A: Dr. Fischer- Participation is in the mid 30's.

OLD BUSINESS

- None

NEW BUSINESS- Reorder agenda

- **Faculty Excellence Awards-** Please see link: https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:f/g/personal/robyngm_bgsu_edu/Eub6VPzFW0xLkqnmJkQG_YBSHZiFWG6ukS7GbfriGol4A?e=JY8jhb
 - Dr. Mariana Mitova, 2016-2017 Senate Community Involvement Recipient:
 - Encouraged faculty to nominate, thanked Dr. Mary Murray for nominating her. Spoke about her involvement in Rally Cap Sports. Rally Caps raised \$100k last year for people with special needs.

Questions:

Q: Amy Ryback- Is the Lifetime Achievement Award open to NTTF?

A: Chair Border- We will have to check on that and let you know.

- **Board of Trustees-**
 - **Chair Megan Newlove:**
 - **BOT 101**
 - There are nine voting members, with nine year terms.
 - Two student trustees, with two year terms.
 - Five meetings annually.
 - Sunshine laws, open meetings
 - Committee Structure
 - **Role**

- Governing board of the University
 - Duty to make sure effective leadership is in place
 - Delegate daily leadership
 - Strategic plan
 - Budgeting
 - Advocate for higher ed and BGSU
 - Transparency in communication with constituents.
 - Try to be as practical as possible
 - Prepare for meetings, ask questions, spend time on campus, and educate ourselves
- **IT Committee Update**
 - **Guest: Christopher Kluse-**
 - Reviewed the composition and activity of the committee
 - Administered a survey to understand the perception of IT from the perspective of the user.
 - Top issues- security, support communication and role of the IT department, classroom technology needs, canvas issues, computer labs, staying current, and remote access
 - Next steps- develop a plan to address major areas and determining committee advising.
- **Com/Com Update**
 - **Kerry Fan, Chair of Com/Com**
 - Reviewed the needs of our Senate Standing Committees and encouraged current Senators to run for spots designated for Senators.
- **Bachelors of Technical & Applied Studies (BTAS)**
 - **Dean Kate Dailey-**
 - Proposed BTAS would be housed at Firelands and designed to be delivered at the regional campus.
 - At Firelands we'll target specific needs for the region. It will be a hybrid with both online and face to face.
 - We'll offer areas of concentration as the State defines this term
 - Goal: to be reflective of region and responsive to it
 - The first concentration is in small business enterprise, different from the BSBA degree offered at main campus.
 - We have received support from the BG campus College of Business and are exempt from the accreditation requirements.

Motion to approve program SEC, second Melissa Miller, motion passes 57 for, 4 against, 0 abstain

Motion to approve concentration SEC, second Allen Rogel, motion passes 57 for 4 against, 0 abstain

CONSTITUENCY GROUP REPORTS:

- **BGSU-FA- Christian Guenther, FA liaison:**
 1. The BGSU Faculty Association membership drive is in full swing, and members are invited to share their concerns and wishes. The membership is rising, which will allow even more input as we head into negotiations with the university. The FA is making office visits in order to facilitate communication. Please contact Vera Lux—at vera.lux@bgsu-fa.org -- if you have special concerns or would like an office visit.

2. The FA will be preparing for another round of contract negotiations in the spring. Over the summer, formal preparations for the contract negotiation will begin. The FA Bargaining Council is looking for volunteers to help conducting research on concerns for the Negotiating Team. You can work on any issue or issues that interest you or on multiple issues as well. If you are interested in serving, please contact FA President David Jackson or Mike Kimaid at Michael.Kimaid@bgsu-fa.org

3. Each unit has an FA representative as well. If you have questions about your status, don't hesitate to contact Charlie Stelle at cdstelle@gmail.com

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

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- Senate Standing Committees
 - Committee on Academic Affairs (CAA)
 - Committee on Professional Affairs (CPA)
 - Adjunct Faculty Committee (AFC)
 - Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee (FAAC)
 - Committee on Committees (Com/Com)
 - Committee on Amendments and Bylaws (A&B)
- University Committees
- Ad hoc Committees, Work Groups
 - Charter Revision ad-hoc Committee- Allen Rogel—Please hold on-call meeting day 2/20/18.
 - Transportation ad-hoc Committee

ADJOURNMENT

Allen Rogel, motion to adjourn, second Michelle Heckman- meeting adjourned

Respectfully submitted by Secretary Robyn Miller

