

FACULTY SENATE Minutes

November 6, 2018
2:30-4:30pm FS Meeting

Assembly Room, McFall Center

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

CHAIR REMARKS

- Dr. David Border, Faculty Senate Chair
 - Graduate Certificate in Instructional Design- SEC passes the graduate certification in Instructional Design last week. Senate Exec will have a regular meeting on Nov. 13th. If you wish to correspond let us know.

COMMUNICATIONS

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

- Dr. Rodney Rogers, President
- Dr. John Fischer, Interim Provost and Senior Vice President

- Strategic plan focuses on the future action plans for five years. Revisions are based on the feedback over 90 submissions came from the groups of individuals. USG has done an amazing job from the student's perspective. The feedback on the plan was broken down into themes. Diversity and inclusion need more full detail, more clarity about describing experiential learning.
- Tom Gibson and I met with student government at Mercy College. The students are very passionate about the future and programs of Mercy. Also, Faculty and staff were given a letter that ensures them that a contract will be coming this summer for fall. There are multiple teams working on the Mercy transition.
- Winter session- we currently have 800 students who have enrolled in a course. 120 students are studying abroad, and many others have signed up for workshops. We should have around 1,000 students attending winter session.
- Persistence looks good, up from last year. Marketing is helping students register. The number of students who have applied and been admitted is up. We had 1500 visitors for the preview day. There were over 500 students, and approx. 200 of them filled out an application.
- Accreditation season has arrived, there are multiple accreditation teams coming to campus. We are hearing very good feedback on the quality of faculty and student engagement.
- BGSU announced The BGSU Lake Erie Center for Fresh Waters and Human Health. There are only four centers in the country and we are the only center focusing on fresh water.
- It is Election Day go vote!

Questions:

Q: Allen Rogel- What will Faculty Senate's involvement be?

A: John Fischer: They have a faculty governance, we will role things out slowly. Mercy College will have a seat on Faculty Senate.

Q: Clayton Rosati- Will their Senate resolve?

A: John Fischer- We will try to have faculty in each area that will determine shared governance.

Q: Bill Albertini- Is there president for this?

A: John Fischer- No precedent no procedure Sense from HLC agreeing to go forward

Q: Tom Castillo- Will we see the teams' reports?

A: John Fischer- HLC is all public, reports will be made public in about a week. Teams will be going forward from Firelands and other colleges as well. The students are concerned what their diplomas will say.

Q: Beatrice Guenther- Is Mercy a public institution how does that work?

A: John Fischer- It is Private but receives federal financial aid and is accredited by the HLC. Some things will have to change like their Catholic identity.

Q: Beatrice Guenther- Are their guidelines?

A: John Fischer- They will not receive an funds until they are no longer private. The goal is to gain by bringing them in not loose.

OLD BUSINESS

- Vice Chair Vacancy

NEW BUSINESS

- Major Change: Tourism, Hospitality, and Event Management (THEM)
Guests: Dr. Ray Schneider, Director, School of HMSLS
Dr. Bob Lee, Professor, School of HMSLS https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:b:/g/personal/robyngm_bgsu_edu/Eag50so8TXRCv2pWBTmEJfKBX4DEq6alHZLq7S3bzn1tkQ?e=mpCppM - Tourism is booming, there is a 7% increase in the tourism business. It creates 460,000 jobs and is 9% of the GDP.

Questions

Q: Bill Albertini- Can student do minors outside of the college:

A: Bob Lee- We encourage students to minors in their area of interest.

Motion to approve Matt Lavery, Second Michelle Heckman- Degree passes 62 for, 0 against, 0 abstain.

- Resolution
 - Use of Student Evaluations of Teaching at BGSU- https://falconbgsu-my.sharepoint.com/:w:/g/personal/robyngm_bgsu_edu/EYo91lqUGhNGiXiXsePU-icBKylczUm01o-argxnVNoxlA?e=WguRg5

Motion to approve from SEC, David Jackson Second

Discussion:

Adam Fullenkamp- What would be implemented in the meantime? Allen Rogel- We would proceed as normal only once report had been given to Senate would we distribute. Mary Natvig- In favor of the research. Matt Lavery- How would this be constituted? Allen Rogel- Standard procedures for ad-

hoc through SEC. Matt Lavery- Work proposed would the committee publish the findings? Clayton Rosati- Thank you for bring this to Senate. Peter Blass- Is there evidence that BGSU shows bias?

Ann Gordon- We should add age to the sources of potential bias.

Ann Gordon- Motion to add age. Matt Lavery, Second- motion carries voice vote.

Discussion

Tim Tierney- We are here fro an education it is ridiculous to think students from diverse backgrounds are going to negatively mark diverse teachers. Allen Rogel- There was a case study for an online course where the name was the only thing changed and the female received lower evaluations than the male did. Mary Natvig- I have been teaching for 30 years. I usually get good evaluations. I have been call terrible names on the evaluations. Tim Tierney- No one should ever be called that. Students sue names like that and it may not be a gender issue. BGSU is more face to face instruction so the online course would not be relevant. Juan Bouzat- Resolution my find there is no bias. The evaluations are helpful to me. Marcus Goolsby- A bigger issue is the senators are hearing one conversation and students are hearing another conversation

Motion Ann Gordon- Remove used and replace with disseminated to and considered by. Matt Lavery- Second- Call to question- Joel O' Dorisio - voice vote motion passes.

Discussion

Montana Miller- We had a project to do this very thing. Faculty worked on this issue with very little results.

Motion Peter Blass- To add data from BGSU into the resolution, Second- Geoff Meek. Hand vote 19 for 26 against- motion fails.

Discussion

Bill Albertini- How long will this take? Allen Rogel- Committee has 90 days from the charge. Peter Blass- Starting with university wide evaluations data in those. Look at our own data. Is there bias at BGSU? Montana Miller- There is a lot of solid research that shows bias. BGSU is not that different. Nancy Patterson- We should have students involved in the ad-hoc committee. Sarah Bias- This would be great. BGSU students would like to be involved. Peter Blass- If bias exists we should be looking at BGSU not elsewhere. Mary Natvig- I support students being on the committee. Chris Coons- I am against the amendment; we need a separate student to see if there is bias at BGSU.

Question called for vote on resolution Matt Lavery- Motion passes 59 for, 8 against, 0 abstain.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES

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- Senate Standing Committees
 - Senate Executive Committee (SEC)
 - 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
 - Transportation ad-hoc Committee
 - Textbook Policy ad-hoc Committee
- BGSU Faculty Association

ISSUES AND CONCERNS/SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

Danie Ricken- The discussion we just had, we should have another ad-hoc committee to look at the students' evaluations, because not every instructor gives evaluations. David Border- Can your body of governance present your findings to Senate? Ann Gordon- No one likes to be accused of bias. We are not accusing anyone it can be unintentional. Bill Albertini- Hearing two different conversations is true. I worry that I will be treated better. We are not trying to stifle your voice. Joel O'Diorisio- I benefit from these biases; I want to make sure my peers have the same access as I do. Allen Rogel- Students giving feedback to faculty is important.

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