

SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES

August 28, 2012
2:30 – 4:30 pm

Senate Conference Room
140 McFall Center

PRESENT: David Border, Michael Buerger, Mark Earley, Rachelle Hippler, Paul Johnson, David Neely for Alex Solis, Andrew Pelletier, Sarah Rainey, David Sleasman, Sheri Wells-Jensen, Elizabeth Wood.

GUESTS: Andrew Ault, Craig Zirbel

OLD BUSINESS

Committee Review Chair Earley summarized the process last academic year for reviewing university committees and verifying which ones were and were not meeting. He said that ComCom will get a compilation of information about the approximately seven committees that have not been meeting and will recommend appropriate action (to dismantle or restructure them) near the beginning of this semester.

NEW BUSINESS

successNET Andy Ault distributed a handout detailing successNET features, the Fall 2012 reporting schedule along with a link to the website with online resources, and a Getting Started guide for faculty. He entertained questions from SEC members.

Adding BGSU – Faculty Association Report to Senate Agenda

Lawrence Coates, BGSU – Faculty Association representative, has requested a regular slot on the agenda along with other committee reports. The motion to add a BGSU FA reporting item to the Senate agenda carried.

Senate Liaisons to Other Groups

- BGSU Foundation Board Representative: Chair Earley solicited recommendations. Pelletier mentioned a possibility from the College of Musical Arts.
- BGSU Wellness Group Representative: Earley would appreciate suggestions of senators or other faculty colleagues willing to take on this responsibility.
- Administrative Staff Council Representative: E. Wood has agreed to serve.

Update on Undergraduate Education Renewal Craig Zirbel reviewed the history of the undergraduate education renewal process since January of 2012. It has been a faculty-driven process with broad input, guided by feedback from the Committee on Academic Affairs and the SEC.

Zirbel posed to SEC a number of questions about future directions and priorities for this effort. He is interested in particular in any concerns about the process that might be out there and he hopes SEC will solicit comments about that from colleagues.

Filling Committee on Committees Vacancies SEC approved the appointment of volunteers of senators Hendricks and Haught to fill the two existing vacancies on ComCom. Update: Senate Office has received word of a third vacancy on ComCom as of 8/29.

Faculty Senate Mission and Vision:

Chair Earley asked SEC whether it would consider forming an ad hoc committee to articulate a mission and vision statement for Faculty Senate, since what the *Charter* specifies about Senate doesn't fully describe Senate's role in a way that facilitates articulating annual goals for Senate. The motion to form such a committee carried.

ISSUES AND CONCERNS: None were raised.

SENATE AGENDA: Approved by SEC

- Undergraduate Education Update – Craig Zirbel
- Priorities for 2012-2013 Academic Year – Rodney Rogers

ADJOURNMENT: Adjourned 4:30 p.m.