

**SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
MINUTES**

February 24, 2015  
110 Olscamp Hall Conference Room

PRESENT: Peter Blass, David Border, John Folkins, Rachelle Hippler, Brian Kochheiser, Mariana Mitova, Joel O'Dorisio, Allen Rogel, Bill Sawaya, Michael Smith, Arne Spohr, Kelly Taylor, Sheri Wells-Jensen

PRESIDER: Chair Joel O'Dorisio  
Meeting began at 2:33 p.m.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

College Credit Plus: *MOTION* (Joel O'Dorisio): Send College Credit Plus to CAA to explore the implications of the implementation of College Credit Plus and recommend strategies for adapting to the changes and mitigating problems where possible and necessary. (Second: Allen Rogel). Passed unanimously.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

CAA Recommendations: Two curriculum modifications were before SEC. *MOTION* (Kelly Taylor): Accept curriculum modification 1415-137 that creates an Insurance Specialization in the Department of Finance in the College of Business. (Second: John Folkins). Passed unanimously. *MOTION* (Kelly Taylor): Accept curriculum modification 1415-136 that creates an Insurance minor in the College of Business. (Second: Allen Rogel). Passed unanimously. *MOTION* (Allen Rogel): Present both curriculum modifications (1415-136 and 1415-137) as a combined product for one vote at the next Faculty Senate meeting. (Second: Mariana Mitova). Passed unanimously.

Academic Honesty: A report was submitted from the ad hoc committee charged with exploring the merger of academic honesty into Student Affairs and academic honesty merging with Student Code of Conduct. A proposed flow chart outlined how an academic honesty case would move through the system for the merger to move forward. In essence, it is a consolidation of the paper handling process that would be more efficient. No decision steps in the process have moved, only the administration of the process. The question was raised about who would be the point of contact for Firelands with the change. *MOTION* (Rachelle Hippler): Accept the new flow chart and have A&B research what Charter language would be affected by the change. (Second: Brian Kochheiser). Passed unanimously. NOTE: we want to make sure that the implementation ensures adequate resources at Firelands.

The second item the ad committee reported was a list of recommendations that need to be further explored in the dealing with Academic Honesty and Student Code of Conduct. *MOTION* (Joel O'Dorisio): Accept the recommendations of the ad hoc committee and have the Faculty Senate officers identify the proper parties to address these, forward these to the parties, and then inform SEC. (Second: Allen Rogel). Passed unanimously.

Adjunct Ad Hoc Committee: The committee is trying to get data on adjuncts on campus so there was not much to report. SEC discussed the need for data to get a better picture of adjunct employment on our campus and what the needs of adjunct faculty might be. SEC spent much time in discussion about what adjunct representation on Faculty Senate might look like. *MOTION* (Bill Sawaya): Explore some type of representation for adjuncts on Faculty Senate and

*the options that may be available in terms of compensating them.* The motion was tabled. Chair Joel O’Dorisio agreed to talk to Provost Rogers about the compensation question.

BGP Changes and Rejected Courses: Concerns raised about the changes fell into two areas: 1) Firelands faculty not necessarily being included in some cases in the development of courses and 2) courses seemingly being accepted by the BGP committee but then being reject at the provost level without explanation or opportunity for appeal. The question was asked about what criteria the Provost used in reaching his decisions. Chair O’Dorisio said he would pursue these questions with the administration.

Promotion and Tenure: Discussion centered on the handling of reappointment, promotion and tenure documents and the templates. Faculty members expressed resentment over doing the documents numerous time in different iterations. A group of faculty members have brought a resolution on RPT to SEC. *MOTION (Rachelle Hippler): Support the resolution on reappointment, promotion and tenure to be forwarded to the full Faculty Senate at the next meeting. (Second: Allen Rogel). Passed 9 in favor, 0 against, 1 abstain.*

**ISSUES AND CONCERNS:**

None.

**SENATE MEETING AGENDA for March:**

SEC would like Sheri Stoll to present at the next meeting. Joel O’Dorisio will follow up on this.

**ADJOURNMENT:** *Chair Joel O’Dorisio adjourned the meeting at 4:38 p.m.*

Respectfully submitted by Kelly Taylor, secretary, March 24, 2015