

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES

February 9, 2016

Assembly Room McFall Center

CALL TO ORDER: 2:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Quorum present.

CHAIR REMARKS:

Chair of Faculty Senate: Chair Allen Rogel:

A few points to mention this time:

First, let me draw your attention to President's Day this Saturday. This is a significant opportunity for faculty to be involved with the recruiting of our class of incoming students this fall, and is a good chance for us to connect with students even before they officially arrive. As we are all aware, the financial state of the University rests on recruitment and retention, so I thank all of you who are volunteering your time for this outreach effort.

Second, I would like to encourage all of you to become involved in the committee work of the University, either through Faculty Senate committees directly, University Standing Committees, or department or College work. Much important work gets done 'behind the scenes' so to speak, and is of crucial importance to ensuring the faculty voice in shared governance.

Now an update on HB48- An Ad Hoc Committee has been established and they are putting together a survey that will be distributed to faculty on the faculty senate LISTserve. Please fill out the survey; we want to get the opinions of all faculty in order that we may know how to proceed.

Finally I'd like to remind all about the Board of Trustees meeting next Friday. The meetings are open to all, and give an opportunity to see a different level of University governance than is often seen by faculty. Among other things, they will be discussing final approval of the various programs we have approved including the BS in Forensics, the PPEL degree, and the BA in Biology. I would encourage people to come and see how it all works at that level directly.

Now I'd like to invite Dr. John Fischer to the floor to speak on behalf of President Mazey who could not be here because she is meeting with the Ohio Speaker of the House.

COMMUNICATIONS

President: Dr. John Fischer spoke on behalf of President Mazey. He indicated that she was in Columbus for an IUC meeting. The main topic of the IUC meeting was gaining support for the capital bill. She and other presidents were visiting with the Speaker of the House and other legislators. Dr. Fischer said that Dr. Mazey wanted to highlight the following:

1. The number one priority for faculty is assistance in enrollment and retention. Enrollment data continues to look strong. Presidents' Day will be critical. We

need to target 3,500-3,600 new students which would be an increase over last fall. We need to make the 80 percent retention goal.

2. Dr. Jon Sprague should be congratulated on his grant from the Arnold Foundation.
3. Priorities for campaign are scholarships, endowed professorships, endowed programs and colleges, and namings for facilities.
4. Contract negotiations continue to progress. Thanks to the bargaining teams.

Dr. Fischer said that Dr. Mazey noted that these are all goals of the strategic plan and we are on track to have another good year as we continue our implementation of the plan.

Agenda was reordered, for Stephanie Walls to present next. Provost Rogers will give his comments when he arrives. No objections to the reorder.

Provost/VPAA: Provost Rogers mentioned:

House Bill 64 analysis has been completed and shared with Deans and Chairs and Directors. A copy of the report is available on the Provost web site.

Thanks to everyone for all they do for BGSU.

Questions:

Q: Lori Liggett- HB 64 low enrolled classes. What happens from here?

A: Provost Rogers- Analysis that Julie Matuga conducted has been sent off to the legislature, for the courses that fit the criteria established by the chancellor:

Table 2. Summary of Recommended Actions for the 581 courses classified as Low Enrolled

Recommendation	Rationale	Number of Courses	% of All Under enrolled
No Action Needed	e.g., pedagogically appropriate course size, restricted physical classroom or lab space, new or recently revised course with expected growth	193	33%
Possible curriculum revision / elimination	e.g., low enrolled elective, program/course redesign, increase student demand	177	30%
Course and/or Section Management	e.g., consolidate multiple low enrolled sections, offer alternative course time/delivery method, offer as combined (co-listed) section	158	27%
Possible Collaboration	e.g., collaborate with other programs within BGSU, collaborate with other institutions in offering course	53	9%
Total		581	100%

IV. List of Potential Regional Collaborations

This information has been shared with the deans and directors to make sure that students can get those classes to graduate. We need to use class section management and collaborate with other universities and colleges within the University.

Another part of HB64 is that every program has to embed an experiential learning plan into the program by this summer. This can be an internship, undergrad research, etc. We need to do an inventory and see where we are.

Q: Bill Albertini- Is that for majors or minors?

A: Provost Rogers- Majors.

Q: Bill Albertini: How would you get that information?

A: John Fisher- Very good question. What things can we track that are going on in the college offices? What is being required, how will we track that? Another issue is, what does it mean to study abroad, and how will we track that?

Q: Bill Albertini- How do we share knowledge so people can draw on what is already here instead of doing it from scratch?

A: Provost Rogers- High impact learning opportunities.

A: Julie Matuga- March event, the Teaching and Learning Fair is three days. A schedule will be provided for this event to give to all faculty

A: John Fischer- A faculty member who does a service learning because they always have, we need to find out why they are doing this.

Provost Rogers- The fences are up at University Hall shows the importance of having good faculty and good facilities. Great work is going on!

REPORTS FROM SENATE COMMITTEES

Committee on Committees: Stephanie Walls discussed vacancies on the various Senate Committees:

Senate Standing Committee Vacancies for 2016---17

Please review the following vacancies that must be filled by Faculty Senate. The timeline for doing so is as follows:

2/9—Announcement of vacancies 3/1—

Nominations due

4/5—Election at Faculty Senate meeting

Please note that these are only the positions that the Faculty Senate is required to fill per the Academic Charter. The vacancies that are available on University Standing committees will be announced via email to the entire faculty. Nominations and voting will both take place online later this semester.

Academic Affairs---The Senate's Committee on Academic Affairs (FS-CAA) monitors all curricular and programmatic matters as well as all major changes in academic regulations and policies. It reviews the actions of Undergraduate and Graduate Councils, recommends actions to the SEC for Senate consideration, reports to the Senate, is

responsible for statements of academic priorities and objectives of the University for purposes of planning and budgeting, makes recommendations about the University calendar, arbitrates disagreements over academic matters, conducts studies for the Senate regarding academic programs, and discusses the annual evaluation of the Vice President for Academic Affairs with the President.

1 Faculty from Firelands	1 year completion term
1 Faculty from Music	3 year term
1 Faculty from HHS	2 year completion term

Amendments and Bylaws---The Senate's Committee on Amendments and Bylaws (FS-ABC) receives or proposes amendments to the Academic Charter or its Bylaws and reports the amendments to the Senate. Proposed amendments require a two-thirds majority vote of the total membership of the Senate and, if approved, are forwarded to the President. When proposals are not initiated by the Committee, it is the Committee's responsibility to word the proposal so that it is consistent with Charter language. The committee also develops Charter language that incorporates the results of Charter interpretations and serves other editorial functions.

3 Faculty or Faculty Senators	3 year term
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Committee on Committees---The Senate's Committee on Committees (FS-Com/Com) prepares slates of nominees for election to the Senate and nominees for Senate and University standing committees. The Committee on Committees also appoints representatives to committees and boards and to ad hoc committees established by the SEC, as requested by the Chair of Faculty Senate, reviews the annual reports and minutes of each university committee, and prepares a slate of nominees from University Faculty for the position of Secretary of the Faculty Senate in the event that no Senator is willing to serve. For more information on FS-Com/Com meetings, contact the committee chairperson. Positions on the committee are filled through annual elections in the Spring semester. Vacancies are filled by appointment of the Committee on Committees for a period of up to one year. If you are willing to fill a vacancy on this committee, please contact the Chair of the Committee.

3 Senators	3 year term
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Fiscal Affairs Advisory-The Fiscal Affairs Advisory Committee (FAAC) is responsible for developing a three-year University operating budget plan and a five-year capital budget plan, and is responsible for updating these plans annually. The FAAC works with the University Budget Committee (UBC) to develop the annual operating and capital budgets, which are forwarded to the President. The FAAC also reviews resource impact analyses of academic programs and unit and policy proposals that are prepared by the Vice President for Planning and Budgeting and which are used by various governance units in the approval process.

1 Faculty from Musical Arts	3 year term
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1 Faculty from Technology 3 year term
1 Faculty from Education & Human Dev. 3 year term

Professional Affairs---The Senate's Committee on Professional Affairs (FS-CPS) purpose is to focus on issues external to the University that affect the profession of teaching and the value and mission of higher education in society. Specifically, the CPA shall perform an advisory function to the Faculty Senate about important developments related to the professional role of educators in society at the local, state, and national level. The Committee will perform an educational role to the faculty and to the University community at large about professional issues that affect educators and advise and assist the Faculty Senate with media and governmental affairs relationships. The CPA will also initiate studies, or conduct studies at the request of the Faculty Senate on issues relevant to professional affairs and will receive suggestions and make recommendations to the Senate Executive Committee on issues relevant to professional affairs.

1 Senator 3 year term

Senate Executive Committee---

The Senate Executive Committee (SEC) is responsible for the business of the Senate and receives reports and recommendations from Senate standing committees. The SEC sets the agenda for Senate meetings, participates with the President in Charter interpretations and in determinations of Charter violations, reviews proposed Charter amendments, and must approve proposed editorial changes to the Charter.

Chair(Senator; must have at least one year left on Senate term) 1 year term

Vice Chair(Chair---elect) (Senator; must have at least one year left on Senate term) 1 year term

Secretary (Senator; may be a non---senator if no senator is nominated) 1 year term

Senator from Arts and Sciences 2 year term

Senator from Business 2 year term

Senator from Music 2 year term

Senator from Education 2 year term

Senator from Firelands 2 year term

BGSU---FA---Christina Guenther discussed BGSU-FA:

The BGSU-FA is in the process of assembling a council of representatives from each of the approximately 47 academic units on campus. The FA survey completed by BGSU faculty last year indicated that communication between the FA Executive and Standing Committees and the membership at large could be strengthened. A council of representatives from each unit will enhance communication, transparency and inclusiveness within the BGSU FA.

Each academic unit should choose one representative to serve as liaison to the BGSU-FA. This representative will be able to disseminate information and keep the lines of communication between the FA members and the FA Council open. In other words, this council of representatives is an advisory body that can keep the members of the FA informed about potential problems and help in solving these in a fair and collegial way.

To date colleagues from 26 of the 47 academic units have volunteered to be a representative. A preliminary meeting of the unit representatives took place on January 27, 2016. An email from the FA will follow shortly to request volunteers from all units for this council.

To find out who your unit's representative is and/or to volunteer to serve, if your unit doesn't currently have a representative, please contact Vera Lux at vera.lux@bgsu-fa.org. All academic unit representatives must be members of the BGSU-FA.

NEW BUSINESS

Honorary Degree---Doctor of Business, Maribeth Semback Rahe: Chair Allen Rogel discussed that this was a nomination by President Mazey. Below are the credentials for Maribeth Semback Rahe:

Maribeth S. Rahe

Summary of Career Accomplishments

Professional Employment:

Fort Washington Investment Advisors (2003-Present)
President and CEO

US Trust Company of New York (July 1997-September 2002)
President

The Harris Bank of Chicago (1994-1997)
Vice Chair of the Board

J.P. Morgan Asset Management (1985-1988)
Vice President

Morgan Guaranty Trust of New York (1980-1984)
Vice President

Education:

Thunderbird School of Global Management (1973-1974)
M.B.A. with honors, International Finance

The Ohio State University (1970-1972)
Completed hours for Ph.D., Romance Languages, Literatures and Linguistics

Bowling Green State University (1966-1970)
B.A., Romance Languages and Business

It was approved by SEC and will go immediately to the Board of Trustees. She is a very worthy nominee and her nomination is on the Board of Trustees agenda.

Vice President for Capital Planning and Campus Operations Steve Krakoff:

Link to PowerPoint Presentation--- [BGMP - FACULTY SENATE - FINAL FINAL NO ATTACHMNTS 02.09.16\(1\).pptx](#)

Questions:

Q: Jim Evans- We are rebuilding the campus, but the landscape design is unimaginative and not very inspiring compared to other campuses. We are cutting down 200 year old trees to make parking lots. Campus is not an environmentally demonstrative place. This could help recruitment and retention.

A: Steve Krakoff- We do have a landscape plan, however, we do not have the funds. The landscape plan will rely on donors. We have taken the landscape plan and identified four or five important projects, one of them being memorial gardens which is one landscape plan much like you are describing. We want to establish a green campus, some trees were taken down that did not have a lot of life left in them. We are planting at least 50 new trees. We are trying to establish a greener campus. The new buildings or the renovated buildings will have to achieve at least a lead silver designation. We have also been mentioned in the Princeton Guide as a University that is producing sustainability and becoming a greener campus. If you look at the campus today it is a much better campus and the future going forward is bright.

Q: Ann Gordon- Natural elements in psychology can help retention. Human beings are happier when they are in touch with nature.

Q: Kim Coats- Will climate control be better in University Hall?

A: Steve Krakoff- Yes, climate control will be vastly improved. We will be putting things like automated control systems which will vastly improve climate and be more efficient.

Q: Julie Haught- What other merchandise will replace books?

A: Steve Krakoff- Technology and apparel.

Q: Libby Hertenstein- Libraries special collections are not a conducive environment over the holidays and weekends. My office is 78 degrees.

A: Steve Krakoff- I will have someone from my office contact you.

Q: Allen Rogel- Is there plans to drop the Admin building?

A: Steve Krakoff- Yes year 2020 or 2022. We need the Admin building for housing while we renovate Huntington.

Q: Bill Albertini- What are the plans for the Education building?

A: Steve Krakoff- We looked at the Education building and concluded that it was structurally sound and that a new building would be too expensive, however a full renovation would not be a good financial investment either. Therefore, we renovated the second floor instead of tearing the building down.

Q: Bill Albertini- What is the time frame for completion?

A: Steve Krakoff- We are looking at decades to create new buildings that will last a long time. Residence halls will usually last 30 to 35 years. However, academic buildings are looked at a different way.

Q: Kelly Taylor- How many classes went off the grid with the Moseley renovation?

A: Steve Krakoff- About 6-8 I am guessing, they are not being utilized because of climate control.

Q: Lori Liggett- The Gish Theater and artifacts?

A: Steve Krakoff- We will not be keeping it in Hanna Hall but we will be keeping them in another building on campus, in order to keep the history. We had to look at the business needs of renovating Hanna Hall. We acknowledge these are historic treasures and will move them elsewhere on campus.

Q: Philip Dickinson- Will Memorial Gardens be consolidated with existing memorials?

A: Steve Krakoff- Anderson Arena, we will not consolidate current memorials, but we may possibly consolidate new memorials.

It's On Us: Mary Toth and Faith DeNardo presented information concerning the It's On Us. Campaign: This campaign was initiated by the White House in 2014 and is an initiative to change the views of rape and sexual assault cultures and attitudes on college campuses. The change the views of rape and sexual assault is to not always blame the victim. Develop different programs, it is a student led initiative, BGSU has been very supportive, consent, what is consent, workshops to discuss and start conversations with student led perspectives.

Link to PowerPoint Presentation: [Its on us.pptx](#)

Link to It's On Us Video <https://www.youtube.com/v/O4y19hNczng>

Questions:

Q: Julie Haught- Can students speak to classes?

A: Mary Toth- We have peer educators through the Wellness Connections. Students can come and speak about this, I can speak, my email address is tothm@bgsu.edu.

Q: Julie Haught- How can we be ready to help a survivor?

A: Mary Toth- Having been trained is important, but training can only go so far. An advocate has to be done in practice, Be supportive of students who survived sexual assaults. Build a relationship with students.

Q: Ann Gordon- The presentation gave warnings concerning sensitive topics, we could dismiss ourselves if we find this offensive. Are we being too soft on people, too soft on exposing this difficult subject matter? What is the IT'S ON US philosophical position?

A: Mary Toth- The committee does not have a philosophical position.

A: Faith De Nardo- We want to do this in a supportive and appropriate way, by talking to students about these issues. We have a start the conversation training, how to start the conversation like suicide prevention, we conduct this with the counseling center.

Q: Julie Haught- Do we have safe signs like for LGBTQ? Are there signs were if faculty and staff have this training they could put a safe space sign on their doors?

A: Mary Toth- We have pledge cards but no safe space signs or specific trainings. We just need to start having conversations with the students.

A: Faith DeNardo- We are looking at how to get faculty involved by looking at possible trainings for faculty at some point

Q: Sue Ellen McComas- There is a lot on the news concerning fraternities and athletes committing sexual assaults, are there trainings for these students?

A: Mary Toth- We have representatives from these different entities on campus. There have been presentations made to these students. There is no targeted training for these students, but we are working on it.

ISSUES AND CONCERNS:

ADJOURNMENT:

Joel O'Dorisio made a motion to adjourn. Craig Zirbel second the motion.
Meeting adjourned 4:30 pm.

Respectfully submitted: Robyn Miller, secretary