PROVOST JOINT SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES

November 14, 2017 Olscamp 110

2:30 pm – 4:30 pm

Members Present: David Border (FS Chair), Frederick Polkinghorne (FS Vice Chair), Robyn Miller (FS Secretary), Stephanie Walls, Ken Borland, Megan Rancier, Peter Blass, Tim Brackenbury, Kerry Fan, Allen Rogel, Jane Wheeler, Rodney Rogers (Provost/VPAA), Janelle Bollheimer (USG)

Members Absent: Scott Chappuis (GSS)

Guests - None

Call to Order, Presider – Frederick Polkinghorne, FS Vice Chair

Approval of Minutes

Motion made: Approve the 10/17/2017 minutes. Motioned by Jane Wheeler. Seconded by Tim Brackenbury. Motion passed unanimously.

Chair Report - David Border

- None

Provost Report

- Upcoming academic calendar year change is progressing as scheduled. FAQ will be distributed in near future.
- Textbook Affordability continues to be a prevailing topic.
- Fall 2019 is potential earliest date a “common” vendor would be selected.
- Plus/minus grade scale committee recommendation was received and will be reviewed by Undergraduate Council.
- Provost encouraged feedback from faculty/departments regarding +/- grade scale.
- The Common Read Author Presentation guest for November 29th will be J.D. Vance.

NEW & OLD BUSINESS

Memorial Resolution: Steve Krakoff
Kerry Fan volunteered to assist with resolution language.

Winter term deadline/course offerings
- Catch-up and work-ahead courses offered.
- Only existing courses offered, no new courses.
- Provost reported that Winter 2019 courses would be set in Spring 2018.
- Paul Cesarini’s office will coordinate courses.
- Chair Border reported there were questions at the departmental level.

Faculty Research Committee (FRC)
- Provost Rogers to follow-up with information at later date.

Course Evaluations
- Julie Matuga is scheduled as December 5th Faculty Senate guest. Request sent to Julie for information to create a Canvas page.

SEC/Provost meeting adjourned.

SEC meeting called to order, Presider- David Border, FS Chair

New Degree: Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Care, Firelands
- Chair Border reported that Tom Gorman provided information that this was a specialization offered by Firelands only.
- Discussion.

Motion made: Approve New Degree: Bachelor of Science in Respiratory Care, Firelands. Motion made by Ken Borland. Motion seconded by Megan Rancier. Motion passed, 10 for, 1 opposed.

Committee on Professional Affairs (CPA) & Ohio Faculty Council (OFC)
- Discussion regarding OFC connection with CPA.

Motion made to charge ad hoc Charter Revision Committee with revising CPA & OFC language. Motion made by Frederick Polkinghorne. Motion seconded by Stephanie Walls. Motion passed unanimously.

Charter
- Memorandum to Sean FitzGerald on hold, awaiting information on resolving charter posting issues.
- Revision update (see attachment.)
- Rewrite of Part B in progress.

Dr. Harknett, University of Cincinnati
- Guest at December 5 FS meeting.
- Discussion of two desired outcomes of the presentation.
  o Better Define Faculty Senate
Increase Faculty Engagement, how to create a culture of engagement

Resolution supporting academic use of “open” scholarship textbooks
   • Discussion.

Motion made: Charge CPA to study the State legal mandates on Textbook Affordability (specifically open source materials) with respect to their impact on intellectual property and academic freedom. Motion made by Stephanie Walls. Motion seconded by Ken Borland. Motion passed unanimously.

Plus/Minus Grade Scale
   • Working committee membership discussed.
   • Discussion deferred.

FS Standing & University Standing Committee updates to Senate with Q & A
   • Discussion regarding an invitation to University and Senate Standing committees to report at FS meetings. Deferred.

Collective Bargaining, Legislative update, etc.
   • Discussion of potential of CPA evaluate barging and non-bargaining. Deferred.

Issues & Concerns

The meeting was adjourned at 4:50pm.
Attachment 1

Draft, 6 November 2017

Proposed language on Charter and CBA

If the collective bargaining agreement with the BGSU-FA (“CBA”) is terminated in whole or in part other than by either joint agreement by the BGSU-FA and the Administration or as part of the regular CBA renegotiation process as outlined in Article 37 of the CBA, then the Administration and the Faculty Senate shall immediately enter into a good-faith process for amending the Charter to address the effects of such termination. Until such time as the Charter is amended to address the subject matter in the terminated articles of the CBA to the extent allowed by law, the University shall continue to comply to the extent allowed by law with the relevant articles and provisions of the CBA. Such process of Charter amendment shall be completed expediently, with a maximum time limit of one calendar year or until the expiration of the then-current CBA as allowed by law, whichever is longer. Should agreement not be reached on a particular subject within the allotted time, the Charter language on that topic from the Charter in effect as of September 1 2010 shall be reinserted in the Charter, with only editorial changes and any changes mandated by law allowed. For topics not addressed by this version of the Charter, the language used as the basis for reinsertion shall be from the most recent CBA.