

MUW Faculty Senate
January 25, 2013

Members Present: Royal Toy, Beverly Joyce, Janice Giallourakis, Youn Mi Lee, Erin Kempker (for Paul Mack), Nancy Wheeley, Clara Rustin, Terri Hamill, Marie Byrne, David Carter, Bryan Hillard, Barry Smith, Irene Pintado (for Randall Foxworth)

Members Absent: Rick Montalto, Kimberly Dorsey, Jiben Roy, Andrew Luccasen

1. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 12:17 in Stark 101.

2. Approval of minutes: Barry Smith moved to accept the minutes, and David Carter seconded the motion, and the Senate voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

3. Requests for funding: There were no requests for Fund A, which is depleted anyway. Fund B, which is geared toward course development, is still fully funded.

4. Updates

a. Administrative Council: The student email addresses have been changed. The SGA is working on discount cards (from businesses in town) for students; we might look into this for faculty at a future date. We are still not certain about the IHL funding formula.

b. Academic Council: The Council discussed a number of topics: policies were reviewed (same policies that Faculty Senate reviewed during this meeting; tutoring has begun at the Center for Academic Excellence; the Registrar sent out notices about ordering regalia for the upcoming inauguration; and plans for the Center for Teaching and Learning was mentioned. Additionally, the continuing education program was instructed to be more encompassing and expand to utilize university faculty effectively.

c. PIE Council: Updates on various assessment tools were given: ACTION plans coming in; CLA and NSSE will be given in 2013; Faculty and Staff Satisfaction Surveys are being readied. The QEP plans are moving forward, and Tom Richardson is reviewing the first draft of the SACSCOCS report.

d. Monthly Meeting with the President: Dr. Borsig is waiting for the IHL funding formula before he can consider faculty raises. The legislative budget is flat for the year, and universities are expected to shoulder more of the PERS costs. The president continues to work on the master plan. He is also starting a safety committee and has requested four faculty to serve on this committee.

e. Expanded Cabinet Meeting: The Cabinet was treated to a preview of the new website, which is scheduled to launch at the end of January. The site is designed to be easier to navigate and is geared to new and potential students. IHL has devised a new diversity plan, which may require The W to rethink ours. The re-branding process was discussed; we are repackaging the university to market ourselves as a gender-neutral institution. Nora Miller reported on budgetary issues: essentially we are \$4,000 less than projected for the spring semester and need a strong summer budget.

5. Old Business

a – c. We concluded activity on the three subcommittees:

- Academic Dishonesty Policy: Faculty responses to Randall Foxworth's questionnaire were discussed; these were to be forwarded to Randall.
- New Faculty Orientation: The subcommittee presented a two-day orientation for new faculty. This orientation would take place before the start of classes. Senators made some suggestions as to information to include, and revisions were made.
- Evaluation of Department Chairs: Revisions suggested at the last Faculty Senate meeting were made to PS #1314. These revisions (primarily based on language from PS #6705) were approved by the Senate.

d. PS #1301: Royal asked that we look at the policy for any changes and to email him any editorial changes.

e. Senate Charge: Royal asked that we think of opportunities to further the voice of the faculty

6. New Business

a. Policy Reviews:

- PS #3518: passed
- Intellectual Property / Copyright Policy (new): not approved due to need for major revisions, primarily in formatting
- Administration of Sponsored Programs from External Sources (new): not approved
- Solicitation of Sponsored Programs from External Sources (new): not approved

7. Announcements

a. Inauguration Friday, February 15th at 10:00 am.

b. Next meeting on February 22, 2013 at 12:15 pm in Stark 101.

9. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:56 pm.