MINUTES OF THE 2016-2017 FACULTY SENATE
April 25, 2017

ROLL CALL

Members present: Shaikh Ahmed, Jason Bond, Kathleen Chwalisz, Sandra Collins, Elizabeth Cox, Jon Davey, Judy Davie, Ahmad Fakhoury, Sandy Fark, Michael Hoane, James Mathias, Grant Miller, Howard Motyl, Kyle Plunkett, John Reeve, Ruth Anne Rehfeldt, Robert Spahr, Saikat Talapatra, Melissa Viernow, Jim Wall, Cherie Watson, Gray Whaley, Kay Zivkovich

Members absent with Proxy: Joe Cheatwood (Jim MacLean proxy), David Gilbert (Blaine Heisner proxy), Bobbi Knapp (Phil Anton proxy), Shelley Tischkau (Diana Sarko Proxy), Wendi Zea (Segun Ojewuyi proxy)

Members absent without Proxy: Shawn Cheng, Sandra Ettema, Tobin Grant, Michael Koehler, Benjamin Rodriguez

Ex-Officios and guests: Susan Ford (Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, ex-officio), Lizette Chevalier (Associate Provost for Academic Programs, APAP), Julie Partridge (Graduate Council representative)

MINUTES

The minutes from February, March, and April Senate meetings will be approved at a later date.

REPORTS/REMARKS

1. Judy Davie announced that the 2016-17 final committee reports will be presented at the May meeting.

2a. Interim Chancellor Colwell

2b. Provost Ford (Provost Ford joined the meeting after 2:00 p.m.) Provost Ford reported that going into fiscal year 2017 there was a 10% permanent cut. There will be another 10% permanent cut going into fiscal year 2018. Ford added that if there is not a state budget or stopgap in this fiscal year, SIUC will at some point need to borrow money from SIU Edwardsville to pay salaries; it was made clear at the Board of Trustees meeting that Edwardsville does not want to loan Carbondale money. Ford stated that there are news articles being published that say that Carbondale has made no cuts and has suffered no pain during this financial crisis and added that over a 10 year period SIUC has lost Tenure Track and Non Tenure Track faculty; a significant number of administrators has been lost as well as Civil Service. Ford continued by saying that SIUC has shrunk and suffered pain; we have Civil Service doing the job of at least two people; all of this long before Edwardsville has been suffering the pain they cry about so deeply now. Ford stated that she is not minimizing their pain, it is just unfortunate that SIUC is being presented in such a bad light. Ford said that it is unwarranted and has the data that shows that it is unwarranted.

C. Hatziadoniu asked what the plan will be if there is still no state budget after July 1. Ford responded by saying that we will have to continue to be as frugal as we can be; there will be tuition money in the fall that will help carry us to the spring.

Ford stated that it is the failure of the state of Illinois that has put us in this situation. SIUC will be okay as soon as the state stabilizes.

A question was asked about the Academic Prioritization task force. Ford responded by saying that she has all the qualitative data and is preparing instructions and getting ready to have everything loaded in to D2L as soon as possible.
3. **Faculty Advisory Council to the IBHE**
   No report

4. **Graduate Council** J. Partridge reported that the Graduate Council approved specific guidelines for accelerated Masters Programs and discussed a proposal to revise the graduate catalog and update the grading policy to be in line with the undergraduate policy.

   J. Davie asked where the Graduate Council stands on the absence policy. J. Partridge responded by saying it is her understanding that it will be a joint discussion with the Faculty Senate.

**EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – Howard Motyl**

J. Davie read the motion to approve the appointment of Judicial Review Board Chair and Vice Chair. (attachment a) H. Motyl seconded the motion. Motion to appoint Jan Thompson as Chair and Wanki Moon as Vice Chair for the 2016-17 JRB passed unanimously by voice vote.

**UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION POLICY COMMITTEE – Sandra Collins, Chair**

S. Collins reported that she had just received notice for Aviation Technology (AVT) regarding a request from Extended Campus. The Faculty Senate has recently approved an RME for AVT to offer an online version of their degree. Extended Campus was requesting AVT to create a DEME for the same thing. The UEPC and AVT did not know what a DEME was. After asking they learned that it is like an RME for Extended Campus. There is concern that the use of a DEME is a way to circumvent the process of going through the UEPC and Faculty Senate for approval of an RME. L. Chevalier (APAP) stated that she will follow up with this concern.

**FACULTY STATUS AND WELFARE COMMITTEE – Ruth Anne Rehfeldt/Shaikh Ahmed, Co-Chairs**

No report

**BUDGET COMMITTEE – Gray Whaley/Kathleen Chwalisz-Rigney, Co-Chairs**

No report

**GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE – Kay Zivkovich, Chair**

No report

**COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES – Ahmad Fakhoury, Chair**

No report

**OLD BUSINESS**

None

**NEW BUSINESS**

J. Davie presented certificates of appreciation to outgoing Senators.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None

**ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 1:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Ben Rodrigues, Secretary
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