

MINUTES OF THE 2016-2017 FACULTY SENATE **December 13, 2016**

ROLL CALL

Members present: Shaikh Ahmed, Deborah Burris, Joe Cheatwood, Kathleen Chwalisz, Sandra Collins, Elizabeth Cox, Jon Davey, Judy Davie, Ahmad Fakhoury, Sandy Fark, David Gilbert, Tobin Grant, Michael Hoane, Bobbi Knapp, Michael Koehler, James Mathias, Grant Miller, Howard Motyl, Ryan Netzley, Kyle Plunkett, John Reeve, Benjamin Rodriguez, Saikat Talapatra, Melissa Viernow, James Wall, Gray Whaley, Peggy Wilken, Kay Zivkovich

Members absent with Proxy: Jason Bond (Seb Pense proxy), Ruth Anne Rehfeldt (Michael May proxy), Shelley Tischkau (Amber Pond proxy), Cherie Watson (Jessica Zieman proxy), Robert Spahr (Jay Needham proxy)

Members absent without Proxy: Shawn Cheng, Terry Clark, Sandra Ettema

Ex-Officios and guests: Provost Susan Ford (Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, ex-officio); Julie Partridge (Graduate Council representative); Andrea Imre (Associate Professor, Library Affairs), Scott Collins (Professor and Director, School of Allied Health) Matt McCarroll (Faculty Advisory Council to the IBHE)

MINUTES

Minutes from September 13, 2016; October 18, 2016; November 8, 2016 approved.

REPORTS/REMARKS

1. **J. Davie** reported that feedback on the Strategic Improvement Plan would still be accepted as this would not be voted on by the Board of Trustees until the new Board members were named in February.
- 2a. **Interim Chancellor Colwell** was not present.
- 2b. **Provost Ford** reported there is no state budget. A small stopgap was passed for smaller universities (EIU, WIU, and CSU) and community colleges. She said that Deans have been told to conserve cash flow and spend only on the most essential items. Spring enrollment is down 700 students from Fall; some of which are holds. She reported that College of Science had a special (and successful) alum fundraising campaign to create a fund that could be used to assist or pay the holds. For Fall 17, admissions are down by 750; the serious applicant pool is on target. Goals of incoming freshman for F17 is 2000, 400 more than the incoming class of F16 and more in line with F15.

Searches: For Dean of Library Services: two finalists pulled out and the final candidate interviewed on campus; decision expected very soon. For Director of the Center for International Education, the call for the position is out. For Associate Provost of Academic Programs, the call is closed and the search committee will be charged this week.

IN Q&A, G. Miller asked for clarification about Grad Students able to get a 75% assignment (or assignments adding up to 75%). Provost stated that this is possible now, and that the 75% assignments were to be reviewed on a case by case basis. She said that there some assignments that at over 50% but they are few. She also stated that graduate students should focus on their research/studies.

3. **Faculty Advisory Council to the IBHE**

Matt McCarroll reported that the state monies allocated to community colleges has dropped from 50% to 8% of their budget. He also reported that there will be an open seat—an at-large seat—on the IBHE and that IBHE staff is supporting the idea that a full-time faculty member be nominated for the post. The seat may be slotted for a Democrat, and would still need approval by the Governor.

4. **Graduate Council** reported that the Graduate Council met on December 1, 2016. Grad Council voted on the resolution in support of the final report from the JTF (votes were 13 in favor, 4 opposed, and 2 abstained)
Passed a resolution in favor of changing the name of the Department of Health Education and Recreation
Passed a resolution in support of graduate education and research
5. **Non-Academic Program Review Committee**
A. Imre reported that the committee completed its report and submitted it to the Chancellor. She could not say whether the Chancellor would send it to the constituency groups for comments, only that it was now in the hands of the Chancellor.
6. **Judicial Review Board Report**
J. Davie read the report from Jonathan Bean. (Attachment A)

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – Howard Motyl

Brought attention to the attached letter to IL Sen. Muñoz from Executive Council of Faculty Senate which urges a no vote on the nomination of John Bambeneck to the IBHE by Gov. Rauner. He asked that Senators look at the letter and send any comments.

[SIUC letter regarding IBHE appointment](#)

J. Davie led a discussion about the JTF Report on Academic Program Prioritization.

[Resolution Recommending JTF Report \(with report\)](#) G. Whaley stated that the report had acknowledgement that the data is not available and that it should be rejected because those numbers are not available. J. Davie stated that the resolution was not a vote on use, but a vote on the acceptance of the criteria. A long discussion ensued covering issues like: the IBHE metrics, some felt these were unrealistic for Graduate Programs; the JTF's matrix was another way to assign a number; the Deans Council is changing criteria/weighting; Provost Ford wants faculty input and this was a way to get that input. J. Davie called for a vote; the resolution passed 19 Y, 4 N, 2 A.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE – Deborah Burris, Chair

Waiting on a response to the resolution sent to the Chancellor. Otherwise, no report.

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION POLCY COMMITTEE – Ryan Netzley, Chair

R. Netzley read the Resolution to Recommend Approval of the RME to Eliminate the Dance and Aquatics Minors in Kinesiology in the College of Education and Human Services ([Attachment C](#)). J. Davie called for a vote. Resolution passed unanimously by show of hands.

R. Netzley read the Resolution to Recommend Approval of the RME to Add an Industrial Design Minor in Art in the College of Liberal Arts. ([Attachment D](#)) J. Davie called for a vote. Resolution passed unanimously by show of hands.

R. Netzley read the Resolution to Recommend Approval of the RME to Eliminate the Global E-Business Specialization in Management in the College of Business. ([Attachment E](#)) J. Davie called for a vote. Resolution passed unanimously by show of hands.

R. Netzley read the Resolution to Recommend Approval of the RME to Add a Long-Term Care Administration Minor in Specialization in Health Care Management in the School of Allied Health in the

College of Applied Sciences and Arts. ([Attachment F](#)) J. Davie called for a vote. Resolution passed unanimously by show of hands.

R. Netzley read the Resolution to Recommend Approval of the RME to Add a Health Information and Informatics Management Minor in Health Care Management in the School of Allied Health in the College of Applied Sciences and Arts. ([Attachment G](#)) J. Davie asked for discussion. P. Wilkins objected to the resolution, stating it was another example of the “cannibalization” of her department’s program, stating that there should be further scrutiny of the proposed program and how there may be conflicts. Scott Collins (guest, Director, School of Allied Health) stated that there is not a conflict and believed that there are differences. Discussion went back and forth; H. Motyl moved to table the resolution for more discussion in UEPC, D. Burris seconded. The motion was tabled.

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

S. Ahmed reported that the Faculty Senate Exit Surveys were now available through CTE

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

There was no report.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES – Ahmad Fakhoury, Chair

There was no report

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

K. Plunkett raised a question about Finals, and specifically the scheduling of Final Exams. He stated that some students had multiple exams in one day, and wondered how—and where—this could be resolved. Provost Ford stated that the Senate sets the schedule, with the Academic Calendar Committee and the Final Exam Committee. During a discussion, it was mentioned that Jim Mathias had a similar issue with the timing of exams and when grades were due in a Senate meeting last year. J. Davie mentioned that Ken Anderson sits on the Final Exam Committee as a representative of the Senate and she would speak with him about that committee’s work.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Nick Weshinskey (Recruitment Coordinator, University College) and Cordy Love (Projects Coordinator, New Student Programs) announced The Big Event. Presentation here: <http://cscouncil.siu.edu/common/documents/attachments/November%202016/big-event-presentation.pdf>

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,
Ben Rodrigues, Secretary
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