

MINUTES OF THE 2016-2017 FACULTY SENATE
September 13, 2016

ROLL CALL

Members present: Shaikh Ahmed, Jason Bond, Deborah Burris, Joe Cheatwood, Shawn Cheng, Kathleen Chwalisz, Elizabeth Cox, Jon Davey, Judy Davie, Sandra Ettema, Ahmad Fakhoury, Sandy Fark, David Gilbert, Tobin Grant, Michael Koehler, James Mathias, Howard Motyl, Ryan Netzley, John Reeve, Ruth Anne Rehfeldt, Robert Spahr, Saikat Talapatra, Melissa Viernow, James Wall, Cherie Watson, Gray Whaley, Peggy Wilken, Wendi Zea, Kay Zivkovich

Members absent with Proxy: Kyle Plunkett (Derek Fisher proxy), Shelley Tischkau (Amber Pond proxy)

Members absent without Proxy: Terry Clark, Sandra Collins, Michael Hoane, Bobbi Knapp, Grant Miller, Benjamin Rodriguez

Ex-Officios and guests: Jim Allen (Associate Provost for Academic Programs) proxy for Provost Susan Ford (Interim Provost and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, ex-officio); Julie Partridge (Graduate Council representative); Andrea Imre (Associate Professor, Library Affairs), Jim Garvey (Interim Vice Chancellor for Research), Wayne Glass (Director, OSPA); Phil Anton (Department of Kinesiology, Spirit Committee representative); Randy Burnside (Deputy Associate Provost for Academic Programs)

MINUTES

The minutes from July 12, 2016 meeting were presented for approval. Minutes unanimously approved by voice vote.

REPORTS/REMARKS

1. **Howard Motyl** gave updates on behalf of Judy Davie. Motyl commented that the Board of Trustees approved the System Diversity Initiative Project that President Dunn presented at its meeting on May 5, 2016; included in this is the creation of a system-wide Title IX administrator; this raised the question as to whether or not this new position is superseding positions that already exist on campus. Motyl also commented on Governor Rauner's nominee for the IBHE representative; as of today, he is still the nominee; the Faculty Senate and Graduate Council are going to prepare a letter to the Illinois Senate urging them to not approve Rauner's nominee.

- 2a. **Interim Chancellor Colwell**

- 2b. **Provost Ford**
Jim Allen reported on behalf of Provost Ford. The 10 day enrollment count was 15,987 students; that number is a reduction of 1,305 students at the same time last year; off-campus and online enrollments are up and on-campus enrollments are down; the average ACT for the freshman class is 22.5; current searches are for the Library Affairs Dean, MCMA Interim Dean, and a Diversity Officer; sometime during the course of the fall, the Faculty Senate will be asked to review the Undergraduate Grievance Policy and discuss appeal options that are not contained in the department or college operating papers.

- G. Whaley** asked about the Undergraduate Grievance Policy and stated that the departments and their operating papers have means of dealing with undergraduate complaints; is there any action of the Faculty Senate goes beyond what departments already have and how is that going to relate to our authority? Jim Allen responded by saying that normal practice starts between the student and the instructor, then the department chair, then the dean; if the department or college does not follow its own operating papers, the student does not have any further option of appeal. G. Whaley stated that if you broaden that anymore other than the grievance procedure the department was supposed to

follow, then you are just asking for it; this would create an avenue for students to go to the Provost if they are not happy with the outcome of a grievance; the Provost cannot have the authority to override the department's or college's decision. Allen responded by saying that you are correct, but what happens when those folks don't follow their own operating papers; that is what needs to be addressed.

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

No report. Terry Clark has resigned as the Faculty Advisory Council representative to the IBHE; the Faculty Senate Committee on Committees will appoint a replacement to finish his term.

4. **Graduate Council**

No report.

5. **Academic program prioritization committee**

J. Partridge gave a status update about the committee; the joint task force met last week; the task force received feedback from faculty and the Provost's office; Mike Eichholz incorporated the feedback that was able to be incorporated; some of the feedback from the Provost's office had to do with the weighting of the numbers that the IBHE wants to see and if they are weighted highly enough; Eichholz restructured the IBHE concerns to show that they are being weighted in a certain way; the task force will be voting on the final document as the entity that created it; Eichholz will present it to the Faculty Senate, Graduate Council, and Graduate Professional Student Council.

S. Talapatra asked why the first draft was sent to faculty over the summer; many faculty do not check emails at that time; this led to some faculty not having the opportunity to provide feedback; now the final document is finalized after feedback from the Provost; what are the reasons for the joint task force to send the unfinished document to be finished by the Provost.

J. Allen responded by saying that the joint task force asked the Provost for feedback and felt that the feedback provided was worth consideration; the task force has the final vote.

S. Talapatra asked if the final document will go back again to the faculty.

J. Allen responded, yes.

J. Partridge stated that the first document was sent over the summer because the task force was originally told that last November that they had until March and then it was pushed back to May; the task force was trying to meet the deadline provided by the Provost's office.

6. **Non-Academic Program Review Committee**

A. Imre reported that the committee has been meeting every two weeks over the summer; reviewing bigger units, purchasing procurement, PSO; expecting final report at the end of October.

H. Motyl asked if the committee will make specific recommendations regarding certain non-academic programs.

A. Imre responded by saying that the original charge was finding out how to operate better, there will be recommendations for non-academic programs.

J. Allen asked if a copy of the committee's final report will be made public.

A. Imre replied that at this point she does not know how it will be handled.

7. Activity Insight

J. Garvey provided those present with a handout about Activity Insight ([Attachment A](#)) and spoke briefly about it.

J. Mathias asked if there is a way to take the data from Activity Insight and transfer it to another system in the case that three years down the road, it is decided to change systems.

J. Garvey responded by saying that this was anticipated and that as long as he is part of SIUC, he will stay with this system and come up with a way that you do not have to re-enter all of the data.

S. Talapatra asked how much Activity Insight cost.

J. Garvey responded \$144,000 for a three year contract; this price included set up.

J. Cheatwood asked why the School of Medicine is excluded from this.

J. Garvey responded by saying that they were asked and their response was that they did not want to be included; later, after the cost of the program was already negotiated, they came back and said that they might want to be a part of it.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – Howard Motyl

No Report

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION POLCY COMMITTEE – Ryan Netzley, Chair

Netzley read the Resolution to Recommend Approval of the RME to Add a specialization in Biomedical Engineering in Electrical and Computer Engineering. ([Attachment B](#)) No discussion. H. Motyl called for a vote. Resolution passed unanimously by voice vote.

Netzley read the Resolution to Recommend Approval of the RME to Add a specialization in Power Systems and Energy in Electrical and Computer Engineering. ([Attachment C](#)) No Discussion. H. Motyl called for a vote. Resolution passed unanimously by voice vote.

Netzley read the Resolution to Recommend Approval of the RME to Rename the Department of Health Education and Recreation. ([Attachment D](#)) No discussion. H. Motyl called for a vote. Resolution passed unanimously by voice vote.

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

Rehfeldt reported that the committee is currently looking in to what has become of the work that previous FSW committees have done when it comes to conducting exit interviews. Rehfeldt noted that the Faculty Senate passed a resolution in spring 2014 that essentially advises the Office of Institutional Diversity work with members of FSW to revise the existing survey. The committee is looking in to the status of this resolution and what can be done to move forward.

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

Whaley reported that the Chancellor reorganized the Executive Planning and Budget Committee which resulted in decreased faculty representation; the committee has not met in months.

J. Davie noted that the Chancellor made the decision to reduce the size of the committee; constituency representatives were reduced to one; a petition was made to retain two representatives (Faculty Senate President and Budget Committee Chair); that request was not granted.

J. Wall asked what other areas, if any, were reduced on this committee.

J. Davie responded by saying that there are single constituency representatives and the only others on the committee have budget experience.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES – Ahmad Fakhoury, Chair

Fakhoury reported that the committee is currently working on providing a candidate for the Diversity Council.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE – Deborah Burris, Chair

No Report

OLD BUSINESS

None

NEW BUSINESS

None

INVITED GUEST – Phil Anton, Saluki Spirit Committee

Building Saluki Spirit ([Attachment E](#))

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,
Ben Rodrigues, Secretary
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