

MINUTES OF THE 2014-2015 FACULTY SENATE November 18, 2014

ROLL CALL

Members present: Shaikh Ahmed, Philip Anton, George Boulukos, Terry Clark, Lucian Dervan Bruce DeVantier, Mark Dolan, Ahmad Fakhoury, Sandy Fark, Anthony Fleege, Jordan Forbes, David Gilbert, Steven Goetz, Laura Halliday, Edward Heist, Eric Holzmueller, Holly Hurlburt, Andrea Imre, Carolyn Kingcade, Sajal Lahiri, James MacLean, Nancy Martin, John McSorley, James Phegley, John Reeve, Ruth Anne Rehfeldt, Benjamin Rodriguez, Rachel Stocking, Gray Whaley, Rachel Whaley, Lyle White, Mingqing Xiao

Members absent with Proxy: Joe Cheatwood (Buffy Ellsworth proxy) Howard Motyl (Edward Helleny proxy), Carolyn Kingcade (Denise Galloway proxy)

Members absent without Proxy: Edward Gershuberg, Eric Holzmueller, Stacey Sloboda

Visitors and guests: Jonathan Bean (JRB Chair), President Randy Dunn, Provost Susan Ford (ex-officio), Reza Habib, Pat Manfredi (Director, University Core Curriculum), Anne Cooper Moore (Dean of Library Affairs)

MINUTES

Minutes of the October 21 2014 meeting were presented. Terry Clark made a motion to approve the minutes with revisions. Lyle White seconded. All in favor, minutes approved as presented.

REPORTS/REMARKS

1. **Jim MacLean** presented the Senate with two points of information; 1.) The return of the University Studies Program to the College of Liberal Arts; 2.) The Open Access to Research Articles Act. He stated that there will be time to discuss and ask questions about these items later on in the meeting.
- 2a. **President Dunn** announced that there will be an electronic campus-wide announcement regarding leadership coverage for the near-term future. He added that the Board of Trustees has asked him (President Dunn) to provide short-term coverage fulfilling Chancellor responsibilities. The Board of Trustees has also stated that a national search for the Chancellor's position will start as soon as practical. President Dunn stated that he anticipates a sizeable, inclusive, wide-ranging search advisory committee which will represent various constituencies of the campus.

A. Imre asked if there is a plan to use a search firm. President Dunn responded by saying the BOT will want to weigh in on the search. He continued by saying he is confident with the use of a broadly-based search committee to take direction without the use of a consultant. President Dunn added that because of the time of year and the past challenges regarding campus leadership at SIUC, a consulting firm may add more candidates to the search. These consulting firms generally require a fee in the amount of one quarter to one third the anticipated salary of the position being filled. This is something the BOT will have to consider. Dunn noted that the BOT has not stated that they will or will not use a consulting firm.

B. DeVantier asked if perhaps it is to our advantage that Glen Poshard is on the Governor's transition team. President Dunn responded by saying that doesn't hurt.
- 2b. **Provost Ford** started by saying that the interview process for the Director of Undergraduate Admissions is moving forward. A search to backfill the positions of Associate

and Assistant Directors of Undergraduate Admissions has been initiated. The final list for the position of Graduate Dean is now with Affirmative Action. Once that list is approved, those individuals will be brought to campus for interviews. The COLA Dean search is about to close and there should be a short list of candidates before the end of the semester. The Business Dean search will be reinitiated after the start of the spring semester. Ford continued by saying that there are still issues with data processing. She presented the Senate with some unofficial data regarding enrollment for Fall 2015. Provost Ford reminded the Senate that the issue of reliable data remains because of the loss of key staff members that extract and provide that data.

J. MacLean asked if there were any questions or comments regarding the two point of information items.

G. Boulukos commented about the Open Access to Research Articles Act and noted a proof reading change. The bill is not numbered correctly. It should be changed to Public Act 098-0295. He asked to what degree are faculty required to submit articles.

A. Moore, Dean of Library Affairs, responded by saying that there is an opt-out policy. Open access is not a requirement. Faculty would submit an opt-out form instead of an article. Moore noted that the report submitted by the SIU Task Force on the Open Access to Research Act fulfilled the second requirement of the law. The first requirement was to form a task force which was done in January 2014. She added that there is no act or action, this is just a report and not a policy.

Provost Ford noted that this topic was discussed at meeting that she took part in a couple weeks ago. She stated that for a number of funding agencies, this is either already or will become a requirement for the grant.

A. Moore added that this report will be presented to the Board of Trustees meeting in December, which is also a requirement of the law.

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

Terry Clark updated the Senate regarding the governance issues at Chicago State. He read an email from a colleague from Chicago State which stated that the Faculty Senate at CSU has been reactivated.

4. **Graduate Council** Judith Davie reported that Chancellor Sarvela agreed to rescind the Tuition on Grants Policy that was passed in 2012 without the Faculty advisement. The Graduate Council was asked to make a recommendation regarding the path the needs to be pursued. The Graduate Council Research Committee is currently working on that. She added that Dean Garvey has announced that the Seed Grant Program for this fiscal year has been cancelled due to budget constraints. She noted that a resolution will be voted on at the next Graduate Council meeting to lower the GPA requirement for admission in to the graduate School Ph.D program. The GPA is currently set at 3.25. The resolution recommendation is 3.00.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE – Sajal Lahiri

The Executive Council met on November 4th and discussed the agenda for the upcoming Faculty Senate meeting.

BUDGET COMMITTEE – Andrea Imre

Andrea Imre reported that the Chancellor's Executive Planning and Budget Committee has met once since the last Senate meeting. The Education Advisory Board gave a presentation about budget management.

COMMITTEE ON COMMITTEES – Terry Clark

Andrea Imre reported for the committee. She announced that the committee appointed Jim MacLean as the Faculty Senate representative to the University-Level Scholar Excellence Award Committee.

FACULTY STATUS AND WELFARE COMMITTEE – Holly Hurlburt / Anthony Fleege

Holly Hurlburt that the committee will have a draft of the ICE revision and present a resolution in December.

GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE – Gray Whaley

No Report

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION POLCY COMMITTEE – Bruce DeVantier / Rachel Whaley

Rachel Whaley read the Resolution to recommend the elimination of the Instructional systems Design Specialist Certificate. Jim MacLean asked for discussion. No discussion. Vote taken. Resolution passed.

Bruce DeVantier read the Resolution to recommend the Elimination of the Geological Engineering Specialization in Mining Engineering. There was brief discussion. Vote taken. Resolution passed.

Rachel Whaley noted as a point of information some concerns brought to her attention by a colleague regarding student housing complaints. Provost Ford, Kevin Bame, and Lori Stettler followed up with these concerns. She also introduced the Senate to the forthcoming UCOL 101 proposed changes which will be presented as a resolution in December. There was brief discussion among those present.

INVITED GUEST – Jonathan Bean, JRB Chair

Jonathan Bean started by noting the concerns raised by the 2012 JRB Chair’s annual report regarding how the University’s administration handles JRB decisions and how rarely, if ever, the Chancellor would alter his or her mind about a lower level administrative decision. He also noted a secondary concern in the December 2012 annual report that the JRB policy and procedures were unsatisfactory and needed improvement and revision. In February 2013, the JRB Chair made a proposal to the Faculty Senate that outlined six issues. In April 2013, passed a resolution to form a task force to address concerns raised by the JRB. Professor Bean explained that prior to the task force meeting, the JRB as a whole met with Chancellor Cheng. During this meeting they learned more about how administration handled discussion between the Chancellor and Provost regarding promotion and tenure. Professor Bean continued by drawing the attention of the Senate to Issue #1 in the JRB Task Force report. He reviewed the information provided in the report and discussion followed. Concerns were raised regarding the language of the current policy. A very long and assertive discussion followed. It was concluded that language needs to be added to make it clear that consultation between the Chancellor and Provost needs to be for informational purposes only. Jim MacLean noted that this is something for the Governance Committee to follow up with.

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Respectfully submitted,
Philip Anton, Secretary
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