

Executive Committee Minutes

February 2, 2015

Noon to 1:30 p.m., ADM 167

Present: Frazier, Heiden, Kimbarow, Shifflett, Terry, Sabalius, Brada-Williams, Miller, Qayoumi, Feinstein, Bibb, Peter

Absent: Backer

1. The committee voted to approve the 2015-2016 Senate Calendar (10-0-0).
2. The committee approved the minutes of December 8, 2014 (10-0-0).
3. Chair's update:
 - a. Community College Program Reviews: AVP Jaehne will pass along info to the Chief of Staff.
 - b. Enrollment Cap Algorithms: Marna will discuss these in faculty forums.
 - c. Deputy Provost Search Committee: Both a student and one of the administrators selected can no longer serve on the Deputy Provost Search Committee. AS President Miller will provide Chair Heiden with a student that can serve by Wednesday, Feb. 4, 2015. Chair Heiden will provide the Executive Committee with statements from an Administrator and the student by Wednesday. A motion was made to suspend the rules to allow Chair Heiden to fill the administrator and student seats without putting out a call across campus. If Chair Heiden cannot solicit statements by Wednesday, then the search committee will continue as is with its current membership.
4. Core Competencies Assessment Committee: A referral was received from the WASC team to create a Core Competencies Assessment Committee. The Executive Committee determined the Organization and Government Committee (O&G) Committee, in conjunction with the Curriculum and Research Committee (C&R), should get the referral. The Executive Committee discussed whether BOGs charge could be modified to include reviewing core competencies rather than creating another committee with assessment overlap. The committee decided that O&G and C&R should consider this.
5. Chair of the Organization and Government Committee: Senator Grosvenor will run for Chair of O&G to replace Senator Kaufman this semester while he is on sabbatical.
6. Academic Freedom Forum: There was discussion about the Senate co-sponsoring an Academic Freedom Forum with Faculty Affairs. It was unclear exactly what type of sponsorship was being asked for. Chair Heiden will gather more information.
7. Thanksgiving Break:

The Executive Committee discussed the possibility of modifying the Academic Calendar to give students and faculty the entire week of Thanksgiving off, or if not the whole week, then possibly the day prior to Thanksgiving and the day after Thanksgiving. Senator Sabalius met with Faculty Affairs to discuss fixed academic dates and found that only Commencement is a fixed date. The Committee discussed

why Commencement is considered a fixed date. Senator Sabalius will do more research and report back.

8. Senator Peter presented a Sense of the Senate Resolution Celebrating Ten Years of the Campus Reading Program. The committee discussed several issues pertaining to the Campus Reading Program including the fact that materials are not available to everyone on campus, and the lack of a standard procedure for selecting the materials to be read. The committee voted and the Sense of the Senate Resolution was approved (12-0-0).

9. The Professional Standards Committee (PS) is working on a policy to implement the award of assigned time for exceptional levels of service to students to be in compliance with provisions in the CFA contract.

10. President's Updates:

- a. Recent items being discussed by the Presidents and the Chancellor include Student Success Fees and how they should be handled.
- b. The President's Office is finalizing the Chief Diversity Officer job description.
- c. The committee discussed a confidential personnel matter.
- d. The committee will discuss a date for the fall address at the next meeting.

11. In accordance with bylaw 1.6.1.b., the Senate Administrator put out a call for nominations out to the General Unit to solicit a replacement for one semester for Senator Rebecca Kohn. Only one nomination was received. The Executive Committee approved the one semester appointment of Toby Matoush to the Senate from the General Unit (12-0-0).

12. The meeting adjourned at 1:35 p.m.

These minutes were taken on February 2, 2015 by the Senate Administrator, Eva Joice. The minutes were edited by Chair Heiden on February 16, 2015, and approved by the Executive Committee on February 16, 2015.