

**INDIANA UNIVERSITY EAST  
2006-07 FACULTY SENATE  
December 5, 2006  
Whitewater Hall – 132  
11:00AM**

**Presiding:** Markus Pomper, Faculty Senate President

*Present:* Armstead, S.; Baldwin, L.; Barton, G.; Batdraw, J.; Baumann, P.; Beck, V.; Bergen, M.; Blakefield, M.; Boys, S.; Branstrator, P.; Breymier, T.; Buckner, B.; Bullock, D.; Chang, W.; Connerly, P.; Cooksey, A.; Cowling, J.; Dempsey, K.; Dhawale, K.; Doerger, D.; Fell, M.; Felton, K.; Folkerth, M.; Foos, M.; Frantz, D.; Fulton, D.; Harper, J.; Helton, E.; Huffman, E.; Jayasuriya, K.; Kirk, B.; Kriese, P.; Lafuze, J.; Ludlum Foos, C.; Lundy, D.; Mahaffey, J.; Meadow, L.; Morse, M.; Naeke, A.; Nishihara, L.; Passet, J.; Pomper, M.; Ramsey, R.; Rankin, S.; Richards, L.; Rivard, T.; Roswell, R.; Sabine, N.; Scott, W.; Seddighin, M.; Shapiro, S.; Simon, J.; Slattery, E.; Thomas, T.; Thomas-Evans, M.; Tolley, R.; Watkins, M.; Wilde, J.; Winburn, E.

*Absent:* Baker, D.; Bingaman, R.; Bow, C.; Braxton-Brown, G.; Clapp-Itnyre, A.; Clark, K.; Curry, M.; Desantis, K.; Fitzgerald, E.; Henderson, T.; Humphries, P.; Knuths, J.; Kreamelmeyer, K.; Lemming, E.; McFadden, B.; McFadden, S.; Osgood, T.; Peacock, F.; Rao, V.; Roberts, M.; Scales, T.; Stanforth, D.; Stolle, C.; Weber, G.; Williamson, M.

*Guests:* Dennis Hicks, *Registrar*; Dan Dooley, *Director of Finance & Physical Facilities*

**Call to order**

Quorum was reached and the meeting was called to order at 11:04am by Markus Pomper, Faculty Senate President.

**I. Approval of Minutes**

A motion to accept the minutes for the November 7, 2006 meeting was presented. The minutes were approved as presented.

**II. President's Report**

We had a short agenda today but must meet to approve the December Graduates. There is some sensitive information in the Agenda packets (list of Grads and Survey results) please treat it as confidential. Ed Fitzgerald has been nominated to replace Bob Ramsey as Representative on Budgetary Affairs Committee. The Faculty Budget Survey has been summarized and the report has been shared with Bob Sandy and BAC. The report is included in the Agenda packet. President Herbert is personally overseeing the restructuring of the IU East budget. The Intellectual Property Policy was passed at UFC. Generally speaking courseware remains with the person who created it unless extraordinary university resources (dedicated staff or release time) were use to create it. Ted Miller will report to the Trustees in February on General Education. He hopes that the effort of the regional campuses to create Gen Ed will somewhat count as General Education University-wide.

The search for a new President is progressing as planned. Currently four of the Big 10 schools are looking for new Presidents. Trustee Riley is quoted as saying "The President of Indiana University must be a person who can drive the academic agenda forward."

Cathy Ludlum Foos reported there has been no positive movement on the Chancellor search. The consultant has submitted his report to President Herbert. President Herbert's trip out of the country has delayed feedback from him. He wanted the opportunity to respond prior to the report going to the search committee. Ruth Person is aware we are anxious to hear the report. She will let us know when there is new news to report.

We have a meeting scheduled for January 16, 2007. There will probably not be any business. This would be a good time to talk about the freshman experience plan. Markus needs volunteers. We need to discuss how to coordinate with Freshman Seminar, how to teach learning communities and how to market them and what kind of learning communities should we offer for nontraditional students.

### **III. Executive Session**

Dennis Hicks, *Registrar* was invited to remain for the discussion of the December Graduates.

Dennis Hicks provided one amendment to the list of Graduates (Cir E19-07).

A motion to approve the graduates as amended passed without opposition.

*A record of the amended graduate list is on file with the Faculty Senate Secretary.*

### **IV. Standing Committees**

#### **A. Nominating Committee**

Athletics Committee – Beth Slattery

Ballots were passed for slate selection for the Athletics Committee. Four faculty members should be chosen with at least one being tenured. Two members will serve two year terms and two will serve one year terms. In addition to faculty two students and the athletic director will also serve on the committee. The following faculty were placed on the ballot: Sheila Armstead (BSS), Cathy Ludlum Foos (HFA – tenured), Neil Sabine (NSM – tenured), Walt Scott (NSM), Cheryl Stolle (EDUC), and Rob Tolley (BSS). Nominations were requested from the floor – none were provided.

Results will be offered at the next meeting.

#### **B. Workload Committee**

First Reading – A motion to amend the Bylaws to dissolve the Workload Committee (Cir. E20-07). Members of the committee proposed the committee be dissolved. Reasons: The charge of the committee specifies its duties are to review reassigned time applications and make recommendations to the VCAA. The members do not feel they are qualified to judge the merit of most of the proposals unless they are from their specific disciplines. They believe division chairs are in a better position to make the call. The VCAA makes the final decision based on his assessment of the needs of the campus. There is not a need for the committee, they are limited in what they can do and their decisions can be overridden in the end. Fairness issues could be addressed by Faculty Affairs Committee and other resources. There is a need for workload related items to be address on campus but they seem to be beyond the scope of the committee. Maybe an ad hoc committee would better address these needs.

Discussion included reasons why the committee was originally created; the need for cross divisional openness; and the need for some sort of committee that manages workload issues. It was suggested an amendment to the motion could be made to alter the charge of the committee to manage the items of continued concern.

#### **C. Budgetary Affairs Committee**

Report – Marilyn Watkins

A summary of the faculty surveys regarding the budget and Bob Sandy's observation is offered in Circular E21-07. If anyone has questions or would like the committee to hold an open meeting let the committee members know. BAC is scheduled to meet with SMP this afternoon. The committee would like further faculty input and feedback. Members should continue to ask questions and not settle for the first response as things change continually. The committee looked for trends and conciliates for the summary, ideas mentioned once are not reflected in the report.

### **V. Chancellor's Report**

Trustees are meeting Thursday and Friday. Bob Sandy's report is in the second draft. The Chancellor will be talking with the President about the budget status.

**VI. Academic Affairs Report**

Vice Chancellor Larry Richards reported there are 11 positions that are vacant or designated for search. One has been filled. Six positions are proceeding and five positions are being held. Discussions regarding programs and academic structure, and the implications for faculty are being continued. VCAA Richards will be meeting with Divisions about the implications of featured programs.

Concern has been expressed about the number of fulltime faculty who are circulating their resumes. Any rumor that the campus will become a sub-campus of Ivy Tech or a campus of IUPUI is unfounded. The recommendation of the consultant will emphasize that IU East has everything it needs to continue indefinitely as a stand alone campus. We would not be proceeding forward with any faculty searches if we had any inclination of eliminating any fulltime faculty positions. We do have to look at all of our academic programs how they are structured, what the curriculum is and how we deliver them. One question we have to ask is "what programs might it make sense not to continue?" Even in those cases finding ways to use the fulltime faculty we have is priority. That said, what we are currently doing is not sustainable, what we do and how we do them will change - there will be changes. If faculty do not want things to change circulating their resume may be the best choice. All the changes will be made in an effort to enhance our programs, the quality of our campus and of the work environment for faculty and staff.

Discussion included whether workloads would change; fall schedule finalization; the number of sections being offered; tuition rates for distance education courses; and professional development funds.

**VII. New Business**

None.

**Meeting adjourned 11:58a.m.**