

FACULTY SENATE
INDIANA UNIVERSITY EAST
OCTOBER 7, 2014
11:00 AM – 12:15 PM
132 WHITEWATER HALL

Presiding: Jay Barbre, Faculty Senate President

Present: *R. Aldrich, R. Alexander, D. Baker, L. Baldwin, S. Banga, P. Baumann, J. Beal, M. Blakefield, G. Braxton-Brown, T. Breymier, C. Britt, S. Brudvig, J. Buffington-Adams, D. Bullock, S. Burns, O. Cheung, J. Combs, A. Cooksey, R. Crane, E. Cruz-Uribe, G. Dam, K. DeSantis, G. Dixon, C. Farris, M. Folkerth, D. Frantz, J. Harper, E. Helton, D. Hicks, R. Itnyre, F. Joyner, R. Karki, H. Kathuria, J. Kim, A. Kim, A. Kraha, Y. Law, C. Longley, E. Loshek, C. Ludlum-Foos, D. Lundy, S. McFadden, C. Messer, K. Miller, D. Moneypenny, C. Nemicik, L. Nishihara, D. Olson, M. Parker, T. Perkins, E. Piard, A. Prater, R. Ramsey, S. Rankin, J. Raposa, L. Richards, R. Roswell, N. Rybas, N. Sabine, T. Scales, M. Scane, W. Scott, J. Simon, L. Simpson, D. Stanforth, M. Thomas-Evans, E. Thornburg, B. Trammell, T. Weyermann, S. Whitehead, J. Wilde, M. Williamson, F. Yates, Y. You, L. Zhong, M. Blankenship, K. Rees, C. Halberstadt*

Absent: *S. Armstead, C. Bow, G. Breitenbach, B. Buckner, J. Carroll, T. Chavis, S. Clamme, A. Clapp-Itnyre, K. Clark, K. Cruz-Uribe, D. Dallmer, K. Dempsey, L. Dilworth, L. Dulemba, E. Fitzgerald, S. Harris, R. Holcomb, M. Jance, K. Johnson, C. LaForge, J. Lafuze, J. Lamb, W. Mohammed, P. Nelson, S. Petersheim, A. Savoy, M. Seddighin, G. Weber, D. Williams, M. Wills*

On sabbatical: *P. Kriese.*

Faculty Senate Secretary: N. Schlichte

Call to Order

Quorum was reached and the meeting was called to order by Jay Barbre, Faculty Senate President.

- I. **Approval of Minutes** – Faculty Senate meeting from August 21, 2014
 - a. Change Rosalie Aldrich from not present to present at 8/21/14 meeting
 - b. Minutes approved
- II. **Standing Committees**
 - a. **AAA Committee (Lora Baldwin)**
 - i. Had one grade appeal, which has been declined.
 - b. **Curriculum Committee (Maureen Scane)**
 - i. Course Activations:
 1. BUSE-A 411 Accounting Information System (Cir. E15-15)
 2. BUSE-A 414 Financial Statement Analysis & Modeling (Cir. E16-15)
 3. CHEM-Y 398 Professional Practice in Chemistry (Cir. E17-15)
 4. PHIL-P 490 Readings in Philosophy (Cir. E18-15)
 - a. No discussion.
 - ii. Information Item:
 1. Curriculum Change Form for Undergraduate Program (Cir. E19-15)
 - a. This change was to help simplify the process for change requests and will help speed up the process.
 - b. Cannot use this form to create new programs
 - i. No further discussion.
 - c. **Faculty Affairs Committee – Jean Harper**
 - i. A survey regarding Faculty Senate will be distributed soon, we are asking for everyone to provide feedback on any changes you would like to see, keep things the same, or any new ideas.
 - ii. Currently working on the P&T policy document by clarifying the language. We will be initiating discussions with the different schools.

d. Graduate Affairs Committee – Jerry Wilde

i. Course Activation

1. ENG-L 651 American Literature 1609-1800

(Cir. E20-15)

a. No discussion.

e. Nominating Committee – Ron Itnyre

i. Voting Items:

1. Faculty Board of Review Committee

a. Directions: Vote for 2 of the 4 names listed

b. Ballots collected

2. Faculty Affairs Committee Special By-Election

a. Directions: Vote for 1 of the 2 names listed

b. Ballots collected

III. President's Report – Jay Barbre

- a. Currently the issue of post-tenure review is being looked at from a systems perspective. Policies from the different campuses have been gathered by Bloomington and the intent behind this review is to see if there are any weak points or areas that need to be addressed. The Faculty Affairs Committee will be reviewing the policy we have here at IU East. President McRobbie is just wanting to make sure there are no weak points.
- b. The Faculty Annual Report is being reviewed in terms of its format. IU is considering other options, one of them being a vended program. John Applegate is having Ann Massey take a look of this. There are a number of people across the campuses who do not like the FAR as it currently stands, so they are going to take a look at that.
- c. President McRobbie has stated that he would like to present the university-wide strategic plan to the trustees in November if possible. When the university-wide plan is presented, faculty will have the opportunity to provide comments.
- d. There is a committee on compensation and benefits that will be looking at insurance plans across IU. The current costs is seen as being too high and so the university is looking at cost containment. One of the areas that is being discussed is that in certain universities, staff and faculty have different insurance plans and that has been brought up as an area to be addressed, not in terms of IU having separate plans, but more to avoid that slippery slope. This is something that will be coming about this year.
- e. Some questions have come up as to whether IPFW should be under IU administration, and whether or not it should be a third comprehensive regional university. John Applegate explains that is something that comes out of a committee at the state house level and this is something that is being discussed. Jay asked John if he felt this would be likely to happen – and John did not express a lot of confidence in that. Jay stated this is just a discussion they are providing due diligence towards, since it came out of committee.
- f. The Open Access movement related to ScholarWorks, which Jay mentioned last spring, is something that IU was taking a look at. The library council at IU decided not to pursue this on a system-wide basis. There are some universities that are following their own version of this, we follow ScholarWorks, don't be surprised if this comes up again at the UFC meetings as it does sometimes come up as a question
 - i. Comments or Questions on President's Report:
 1. Denise Bullock: Regarding FAR - will there be opportunities for faculties on the different campuses to have discussions about this or express concerns? Jay indicated he would imagine, but he had the impression they are still early in the process with this. He indicated this would come up as UFC continues to meet and talk about it.
 2. Neil Sabine – Commented on the cost containment for the insurance. Jay stated that the extent of the entire conversation at this point has just been that the cost is considered too high (Herb Terry brought this up) and so they are looking at cost containment and that is the purpose of this committee to take a further look. There has not been enough information to really speak further.

IV. Discussion of the Upcoming UFC Constitutional Amendment Vote

(Cir. E21-15)

- a. A few weeks ago, Jay sent out an email that had a proposed amendment that included a proposed amendment to the Constitution for IU. Originally, this was brought up as something that could go into a revision of the bylaws, but it was decided that it would be presented as a constitutional amendment.
- b. The idea behind this is that the co-secretaries for the UFC Executive Committee are currently from Bloomington and IUPUI. The regional campuses believe that adding a third co-secretary would be beneficial for us in terms of the communication and access that we would have to President McRobbie, as well as other discussions that take place. Everyone has had a chance to take a look at the amendment. Another part to this is they want to change the titles from co-secretary to co-chair. This was Herb Terry's idea, because a lot of the work the co-secretary does is not co-secretarial in nature, so they wanted to change the title. That is the entirety of the amendment for this

Constitution. As per the rules, we have to have a question & answer discussion forum on this topic, thought this would provide an opportune time to do so. When we go and collect these responses, Jay will forward them along to Craig Dethloff in Bloomington. At some point everyone will receive an email asking them to vote on this amendment. You will respond to the email according to the directions that come with it. But the UFC will collect all your votes – not Jay. They will then tabulate the results. With that – are there any discussions or questions?

i. Comments:

1. Cathy Ludlum-Foos – after having served on the UFC for many years, this is a very good idea. The regional campuses right now don't have the same kind of voice in UFC that the larger campuses do.
2. Jay Barbre – when this was brought up last year, Herb Terry was very much in favor.
3. Cathy Ludlum-Foos – right now the representation among the memberships is done proportionally and that is appropriate, but adding one more co-secretary rather than changing representation patterns really does a lot.
4. Jay Barbre – one thing that I do need to mention is the procedure for how a third co-chair would be selected by the regionals – that procedure has yet to be developed, we are starting here with the amendment itself, we are very aware there are different terms of office that the senate presidents have, here on our campus - its one, other campuses it may be two, and those are just the nuts and bolts that we will have to work through for a later time.
5. Laverne Nishihara – thinks the change in titles make sense, so she considers that a no-brainer. Would like to ask if there has already been discussion, and if not, then she hopes there is discussion about what happens in the future if there are problems finding willing nominees for co-chairs from any campuses. What happens if this person not is available or willing to do an adequate job? Laverne would like see that discussion take place in the UFC minutes of what would happen if this situation occurred, because sometimes it is hard to get willing nominees,. She brings this up because she has observed a former co-secretary doing virtually nothing. Having someone who does not do the work in this position, is worse than not having the office filled. Would like discussion of what happens, when no one is willing to be nominated or someone who is not functioning in the office and delaying things, otherwise, I do think this is a good idea, because while it is permitted to have someone from a regional campus to serve as a co-secretary now, that is not going to happen until there is a third co-chair established.
6. Jay Barbre – the next time the UFC and the Regional Faculty Caucus meets, Jay will bring this question up to be discussed.
7. Cathy Ludlum-Foos – if you have this set up as three co-chairs, then even if there is trouble getting someone from IUPUI or Bloomington, say if you've got maybe only two and it is two to one, that still gives you a little more flexibility, what you would have to talk about is whether it is always three, or is it ideally three. This is a major time commitment and work, you travel often to trustees meeting, you have face-to-face meetings in Bloomington, a lot of work.
8. Laverne Nishihara– she suggests from what Cathy is saying that there provisions for having occasionally, if necessary two co-chairs if three somehow cannot be found, can UFC move forward with only two? Laverne even proposes this as an amendment.
9. Cathy Ludlum-Foos – agrees that this is more than just the procedural question, if the constitution says it will be three, then you will have a problem.
10. No further questions or comments.

V. Academic Affairs Report – Executive Vice Chancellor Larry Richards

- a. Updates on behalf of Chancellor Kathy Cruz-Uribe (out of office attending the annual KAC Athletic Conference)
 - i. The Student Event Center groundbreaking ceremony will be November 11th (Pres. McRobbie will be in attendance).
 - ii. There will be a ribbon-cutting for opening of the renovated quad.
 - iii. Student apartment project is going forward with groundbreaking in November.
- b. Updates from Executive Vice Chancellor Larry Richards
 - i. There was a meeting on Friday with all the regional Chancellors, Executive Vice Chancellors, and Registrars where we discussed the spring addition of IU online Class Connect and the rules that will apply.
 - ii. There are certain rules that will apply regarding listing courses. We cannot list more than one section of the course in Class Connect at any one time. We can list one section, and if it fills up, we can add

another one. Or, if a cap has been reached, instead of adding another section, we can also increase the cap.

- iii. Discussion of course caps and the impact it has on course schedules and offerings.
- iv. Discussion of cross-campus enrollments and impact on campuses.
- v. Faculty asked question regarding offering of new courses as it relates to a course whose enrollment cap has been reached.
- vi. Faculty asked question on the pros/cons of adding new courses and how this would impact use of adjuncts on campuses.
- vii. EVCAA discussed use of Quality Matters rubric as it relates to development of training capabilities of campus.

viii. Handout from Dr. Richards of the Fall 2014 Enrollment analysis

- 1. EVCAA discussed numbers in freshman class and transfer students relative to trends from previous years.
 - 2. EVCAA discussed nature of transfer students relative to growth of campus population.
 - 3. The only area for real growth is in the new transfers of undergrad students (the graduate programs may be able to increase their numbers a little). And most of the transfers are online students.
 - 4. Faculty asked question on what designates a transfer student versus a new student for IU campuses.
 - 5. EVCAA addressed student loan default rate and efforts of the university to address this.
- c. Announcement – Jerry Wilde
- i. We have a new minor in School of Education – Early Childhood Minor
- d. Jay Barbre: Please make sure to sign the meeting attendance sheets and to make sure to choose your preferences for how to receive the senate packet each month, please make sure that is checked or email Nancy @nschlich@iue.edu and she will make sure that is updated.
- e. Diversity Sub-Committee is instituting in cooperation with the Den – Ethnic Food Days per month – these will always follow our faculty senate meetings – this month is Mexican fiesta, November will be Jewish food in honor of Hanukkah.
- f. Gene Cruz-Uribe asked, since OnCourse is disappearing and going to CANVAS, where will we store our documents?
- i. Trudi Weyermann responded – this is in progress and communication will be sent out soon.

Meeting adjourned at 12:05pm