

Indiana University Kokomo Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

February 21, 2011 Meeting

2:30-3:30 p.m., KC130

Attended by: Aamidor, Aniskiewicz, Armstrong, Becker, Besel, Bever, Boschmann, Bourke, Bradley, Brown, Calhoon, Cameron, Chauret, Clark, Cox, Darr, Gillette, Gottemoller, Greenwood, Hansen, M. Harris, Heath, Heckman, Hughey, Jones, Keene, Keener, Kim, Krause, Lukes, Mishler, Motl, Narwold, Paese, Parkison, Rifai, Roden, Rosales, Ross, Sciame-Giesecke, Sebastian, B. Sehr, Shabana, Skoczen-Southard, Steel, Sullivan, Van Alstine, Vidyarthi, Wadsworth, Wallace, White, Whitmore, Yan, Zia

Guests: G. Ogle, K. Ross, M. Skinner, G. Stroman, C. Swoverland, B. Van Gordon

Topic	Discussion	Action
1. Approval of Minutes of Nov. 22, 2010		Approved
2. President's Remarks: Todd Bradley	Bradley reaffirmed the campus's commitment to improving student retention.	
3. Chancellor's Remarks: Michael Harris	Harris cited such initiatives as the increased number of Friday classes, the effort to improve retention, and the development of a plan for a wellness center as forwarding the three ongoing themes of the campus. He encouraged faculty to participate in the new initiatives and to continue to ask questions with the goal of improving communication on campus. Chancellor Harris ceded the remainder of his time to representatives from the IT department (Craig Swoverland and Greg Ogle). They encouraged faculty to make use of the available tutoring help for students in basic computer skills and software products and to incorporate these services into courses. They distributed a handout providing information about the tutoring service and a general overview of IT services available for students.	Handout distributed.
4. Vice Chancellor of Academic Affairs' Remarks: Sue Sciame-Giesecke	Vice Chancellor Sciame-Giesecke reiterated that members of the Faculty Senate Budgetary Affairs Committee are welcome to attend the Expanded Deans Council meetings and to participate in budget hearings. Several new degree proposals will be coming forward in March, new internships are being established at Delphi and other area companies, the campus is exploring a co-op program, new online course development is ongoing (speak with Candy Thompson), an advisor newsletter is being developed and advisors will be available for student questions in the cafeteria, efforts continue to provide advising and transfer assistance for Ivy Tech students, and work is continuing on efforts to move intellectual property to commercial use. Faculty Senate members are invited to follow the progress of the teams developing the university-wide Blueprint for Student Attainment (handout and website) and the LEAP initiative.	Two handouts distributed.

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5. Bylaw Changes in Guidelines for Committee Composition: Chris Darr (Parliamentarian)	Two sections of the Faculty Senate Bylaws were amended as follows: Section 3.2, par 1: The Faculty Senate shall have a Faculty Affairs Committee. Notwithstanding Bylaws Section 1.3, the Vice President of the Faculty Senate shall be chairperson of the Faculty Affairs Committee, <u>and will be a non-voting member unless he or she is the only member from his or her unit.</u> Membership of the Faculty Affairs Committee shall not overlap the Educational Policies Committee membership. Section 3.5, par 1: The Faculty Senate shall have a committee on Budgetary Affairs. Notwithstanding Bylaws Section 1.3, the President of the Faculty Senate shall be chairperson of this committee, <u>and will be a non-voting member unless he or she is the only member from his or her unit.</u>	Approved
6. Changes in P&T Guidelines: Joshua Gottemoller (Chair, Faculty Affairs Committee)	Amendments 3, 4, and 5 of the IU Kokomo Promotion and Tenure Criteria regarding teaching, scholarship/creative works, and service for promotion to the rank of Professor were discussed and approved. This completes work by the Faculty Affairs Committee on the document begun in 2010. The new criteria are attached to these minutes.	Approved
7. Report on CLA statistics: Kathy Parkison (Assistant Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs)	Parkison discussed the results of the first administration to seniors of the CLA exam within the VSA (Voluntary System of Accountability). The distributed summary shared overall CLA results, Performance Task results, Analytical Writing results, and the Estimated Entering Ability of students. A more complete discussion of the test results is available.	Handout distributed.
8. Early Childhood Education Center: Marilyn Skinner (Director)	Skinner explained the various free programs available in The Center for Early Childhood Education. The Center offers opportunities for the community, for students, and for faculty.	Handout distributed.
9. Faculty Use of Oncourse: Nida Zia (Student Body President)	Zia encouraged faculty to make regular use of the various features in Oncourse for the benefit of students.	

Respectfully submitted by Ann Cameron, Secretary