

**INDIANA UNIVERSITY EAST  
2008-09 FACULTY SENATE  
October 7, 2008  
Whitewater Hall Room 132  
11:00 AM**

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

*Present:* Armstead, S; Baker, D; Baldwin, L.; Battraw, J; Baumann, P.; Beach, D; Beck, V.; Bergen, M.; Bingaman, R; Blakefield, M.; Braxton-Brown, G.; Clark, K; Dempsey, K.; Desantis, K.; Dulemba, L.; Fell, M.; Felton, K.; Fitzgerald, E.; Folkerth, M.; Frantz, D.; Gabston, G.; Harper, J.; Hefron Williamson, M.; Helton, E.; Humphries, P.; Jance, M.; Jayasuriya, K.; Kriese, P.; Kunshek, R.; Lafuze, J.; Ludlum Foos, C.; Lundy, D.; Ma, H.; Maurer, J.; McKinley, E.; Morse, M.; Nishihara, L.; Paydar, N.; Peacock, F.; Pomper, M.; Ramsey, R.; Rankin, S.; Richards, L.; Rivard, T.; Roswell, R.; Sabine, N.; Scales, T.; Scane, M.; Scott, W.; Seddighin, M.; Simon, J.; Slatery, E.; Stanforth, D.; Thomas-Evans, M.; Watkins, M.; Wazir, M.; Whitt, P.; Wilde, J.; Winburn, E.

*Absent:* Barbre, J.; Bow, C.; Branstrator, P; Breymier, T.; Buckner, B.; Bullock, D.; Chang, W.; Clapp-Itnyre, A; Cooksey, A.; Curry, M.; Doerger, D.; Greer, K.; Henderson, T.; Huffman, E.; Kathuria, H.; Kirk, B.; Knuths, J.; Mahaffey, J.; McFadden, B.; McFadden, S.; Passet, J.; Shapiro, S.; Stolle, C.; Thomas, T.; Tolley, R.; Weber, G; Wilson, E.

*Purdue:* Alenskis, B.

*Guests:* Dennis Hicks, *Registrar*

**Call to order**

Quorum was reached and the meeting was called to order at 11:00am by Markus Pomper, Faculty Senate President.

**I. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes for the August 24, 2008 meeting were approved by unanimous consent.

**II. President's Report**

Chancellor Search - The committee is preparing a report for President McRobbie based on the feedback provided by faculty, staff and students. In that report the committee describes the perceived strengths and weaknesses of each candidate, but does not recommend any particular candidate be hired, nor will it make rankings of the candidates in order of preference. Alongside the committee's summary of the campus perspective will be placed feedback from members of the community who met with the candidates, reactions of the university vice-presidents and chancellors who met them, summaries of the comments made by references contacted by telephone, letters of recommendation, and the applicants' CVs and letters of interest. Based on these materials, the President will determine which of the candidates (anywhere from one to all four of them) he would like to speak with personally prior to making his decision.

UFC Business – A committee has been considering P&T guidelines in order to come up with recommendations for all campuses. The committee has reached a consensus about double-voting, representation of ranks on the campus committees, number of external letters, minimal size of the campus P&T committee, and communication with the

candidate at all levels of review. Items that are next on the agenda will involve what happens to the dossier when it leaves campus.

Discussion: Our P&T guidelines state that a Dean cannot be on the committee if a person from their School is going up for P&T. We discussed and we agreed that a Dean can serve if the Dean holds Faculty status and is not from the school from which a candidate comes. When there is a negative decision by a campus committee only the process, but not the committee's decision, can be appealed. There are no provisions for appeal of decisions at higher levels of review. We are hoping to get some language included in the policy that will explain to the candidate why a case was not approved by the Vice President or by the President.

Website Development – Creating space for the Senate committees' procedures and for the minutes to be placed on the web. The goal is to get all the committee minutes up on the web from the last couple of years. It is most important to get the minutes archived from the Curriculum Committee because the Commission of Higher Education could ask for evidence of when a certain program was voted into place and we need to keep a paper trail of this. If you have any minutes from the committees please send them on to Markus.

### III. Standing Committees

#### A. Nominating Committee – Neil Sabine

Ballots were passed out for Faculty Board of Review. Members were to vote for two candidates. Results will be announced at next month's meeting.

Discussion: It was questioned whether the Associate Vice Chancellor's were eligible to serve. If it is a concern, please send an email to Markus Pomper or Laverne Nishihara for the Faculty Affairs to look into this further.

Ballots were passed out for the Promotion and Tenure Committee. Members were to vote for one candidate. Results will be announced at next month's meeting.

Ballots were passed out for the Athletics Committee. Nominees were requested from the floor. None were made. Members were to vote for one candidate. Results will be announced at next month's meeting.

Ballots were passed out for Nominating Committee. Nominees were requested from the floor. Mort Seddighin was added to the ballot. Members were to vote for one candidate. Results will be announced at next month's meeting.

#### Faculty Affairs Committee – Laverne Nishihara

**Voting Item:** A motion to rescind the Academic Appointments Policy and add in the new one as stated in circular E09-09 came moved and seconded by the Faculty Affairs Committee. Affected Policies will be Classification of Academic Appointments (Cir. E09a-09) and Academic Appointments (Cir-E09b-09).

Discussion: It was discussed whether the titles for "Clinical" professors and lecturers listed in Cir. E09a-09 are correct or not. Laverne stated that the Faculty Affairs Committee will look at the Policy and double check the correct titles. The term "Tenure Track" is used to encompass both tenured and tenure-probationary faculty. So, the word Tenure-Track does not mean that the person is not tenured yet.

The motion to rescind the Academic Appointments Policy and add in the new policy as presented in circular E09-09 passed without opposition.

### C. Curriculum Committee – Bob Ramsey

#### Information Items:

MCI Course Activations:

MUS-K 110 (Music Composition for Non-Music Majors) (Cir. E10-09)

MUS-K 361 (Intro to MIDI and Computer Music) (Cir. E10-09)

MUS-K 430 (Intro to Contemporary Music) (Cir. E12-09)

Discussion: None.

**Voting Item:** A motion to approve the adoption of the Policy for the First Year Seminar Course as presented in circular E13-09 came moved and seconded from the Curriculum Committee. This motion includes making the First Year Seminar mandatory for all new students (Cir. E13a-09), amending the General Education Framework (E13b-09) and amending of the Institutional Program Requirements (E13c-09).

#### Summary of Intent of the Resolution:

A grade of 2.0 is required in the First Year Seminar course. This course will be delivered under EDUC U 100. This course is mandatory for all beginning freshmen and for transfer students with no more than 12 credit hours of transferring course work. This course will be taken in the first semester after admission to IU East. General Education Core Requirements will change from 39 to 41 credit hours. This policy is effective for all beginning freshmen who begin classes in summer 2009 and after.

Discussion: A cost center will be set up with credit hours going back to the center so that the money can be distributed to the Schools to pay for the faculty teaching the course as well as other expenses. The policy requires the seminar to be 2 credit hours. This was a compromise between 3 and 1 credit hours.

It was observed that two modifications to the General Education framework and the Institutional Program Requirements were unrelated to the first year seminar. These modifications were proposed because they referred to policies that no longer exist. The question was divided, and only the portions regarding the first year seminar were considered.

The suggestion was made that students should have a choice to take course for 2 credit hours or for 3 credit hours depending on the course load set by each instructor. A motion to amend the Policy on page 30 (Cir. E13a-09) from *2 credit hours* to *a minimum of 2 credit hours or more* was made and seconded. After brief discussion, the motion was defeated.

This course will not be a duplication of New Student Orientation. The class must be taken during the student's first semester. It was observed that the proposed first-year seminar has similar objectives as the existing honors seminar.

A motion to propose an amendment to the Policy by inserting "*First year students who are admitted into the honors program and take H100 are exempt from taking EDUC U100*" (Sec. A on page 30, Cir.E13a-09) was made and seconded.

It was observed that the Institutional Program requirements already permit exceptions to be made. The motion was defeated.

It was suggested that the course should be listed as a graduation requirement rather than a

general education requirement.

A motion to amend the proposed resolution (Cir. E13-09) by striking the second “Therefore” was made and seconded. This amendment would not introduce the Freshman Seminar course into the General Education framework, as it already is an institutional degree requirement.

Discussion: Course was placed into the general education section for assessment purposes. The motion to remove the proposed changes to the general education requirements carried with some opposition.

A friendly amendment was made to remove the word *students* from the first bullet point on page 30, section C.

The motion to adopt the modified resolution on page 29 (Cir. E13-09) as amended was passed with one opposing vote.

#### **IV. Chancellor’s Report – Interim Chancellor Paydar**

We submitted three requests for buildings to IU Trustees; one was for an Academic building to house Nursing, Education and Science; the second request was for buildings to be renovated on campus; and a third request was for a Health and Wellness Center. The Academic building did not get approved. The Health and Wellness Center was approved. The next step is to go through approval by the Commission for Higher Education, which will happen in Bloomington this Friday. From there it will go to General Assembly. In February of this year IU will be looking into doing master planning of this campus to see where buildings are and to see where parking lots are. There have been many requests to have parking next to Hayes, which will be looked at.

Reciprocity was terminated for all universities this past June in Indiana and in Ohio with the exception of IU East until the end of June 2009. So, anyone admitted this fall or this spring will be grandfathered by Higher Education Commission. We have been negotiating with Ohio and the Indiana Commission for Higher Education and there are signs that great things will be coming our way.

It is the quality of students that has improved significantly rather than the quantity of credit hours. The SAT scores were up by 21 this fall semester which is very exciting.

#### **V. Academic Affairs Report – Executive Vice Chancellor, Larry Richards**

Larry Richards thanked everyone for helping out and approving the First Year Seminar Course stating that it was going to be a huge help to our campus and thanked Markus Pomper for chairing the committee as well. It has been quite an accomplishment. For this course to be successful once the students have gone through this course they need to be able to look back and say “I’m glad I did that, that was valuable, that was important”, if they cannot say that then it will not be successful. We have to make it interesting and fun.

We have been doing a search for an Executive Director of University College. University College is for all first semester students; there will be some students in their second semester who will be a part of this college who have not yet selected a major. Associated with that will be potential advising program that will involve faculty as well as other offices that deal with first year students. The status of that search is somewhat uncertain right now.

**VI. Old Business**

None.

**VII. New Business**

None.

Meeting adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

