

Indiana University Northwest

Faculty Organization

January 21, 2011

Savannah Center

10:00 -12:00

I. Call to Order—President Gallmeier called the meeting to order at 10:12 a.m.

II. Minutes of November 12, 2010—A motion to approve the minutes of November 10, 2010 was made, seconded, and passed unanimously.

III. President's Report—President Gallmeier made the following announcement:

- a. Vice President election—An election for the office of Vice President of the Faculty Organization is underway and will conclude at 5:00 p.m. today. President Gallmeier thanked the candidates, Professors Argyilan and Poulard for serving as candidates for this important office.
- b. Faculty Board of Review election—President Gallmeier requested that faculty members nominate themselves and/or colleagues for this election. Candidates must be tenured professors, and we need seven or eight candidates. Send names to Henry Wyzinski, Chair of the Elections Committee, with a copy to President Gallmeier.
- c. Founders Day Teaching Award—Jon Becker's committee is accepting nominations through January 28.
- d. Board of Trustees Teaching Award—Scooter Pegram has agreed to chair this committee and will issue an announcement soon.
- e. Faculty Affairs Committee—Chair Alan Barr and his committee have been working very hard for the past 18 months on revising the "Goldenrod." President Gallmeier thanked EVCAA Malik and the committee members—Drs. Barr, Caucci, LaPointe, Grskovic, Karabel, Bodmer, Kini, and Peat, for doing an outstanding job. Professor Barr will report to the Executive Committee and the full Faculty Organization in February.
- f. President Gallmeier recognized the following faculty members for their achievements:
 - Zoran Kilibarda, Geosciences, for obtaining a \$65,000 grant to study dunes and beaches along the entire Indiana Lake Michigan shoreline.

- Barbara Peat, SPEA, for publishing her third book, *Case Studies in Corrections: Examples, Exercises, Discussion Points, and Practitioner Interviews*
- g. President Gallmeier congratulated the following faculty colleagues for receiving IU Northwest regional research grants for 2011:
- Harold Olivey, Dept. of Biology
 - Neil Goodman, Dept. of Fine Arts
 - Rajan Selladurai, School of Business and Economics
 - Subir Bandyopadhyay, School of Business and Economics
 - Kenneth Schoon, School of Education
 - Michael LaPointe, Dept. of Biology
- h. *Academically Adrift: Limited Learning on College Campuses*, by Sociologists Richard Arum and Josipa Roksa—President Gallmeier commented on this volume at the close of his report, and his remarks are reproduced below:

*Finally, I thought you might find this interesting. The story was featured on Keith Obermann's **Countdown** Wednesday night. I have ordered the book and am looking forward to reading it. I suspect that the majority of the institutions my sociology colleagues surveyed are research I universities, although I am not sure about that. However, the story reminded me of why I love working at IU Northwest. I work at an institution where my colleagues are scholars involved in research of discovery, creative activity, the scholarship of teaching, and the scholarship of community engagement. I work at an institution where my colleagues, like Professor Kilibarda, enlist their students to assist them in their research as Zoran has done with his grant awarded by the Lake Michigan Coastal Program that I previously mentioned. I work at an institution where my colleagues do all the things faculty should do, research, teaching, and service and do so with the understanding that all three roles must be guided by scholarship and student success. I work at an institution where teaching truly does matter and even the most prolific scholar must be a competent teacher or they are likely to be unsuccessful in their quest for tenure and promotion.*

I think that is what the Blueprint for Student Attainment is really all about. The Blueprint Committee I co-chair has as a theme, the idea of a "Private School Experience at a Public School Price." I am not really sure what the hell that means exactly but I believe it captures a culture where the majority of our students know their professors' names and the majority of our faculty colleagues know their students' names as well. I believe it describes a school experience and culture where faculty understand the important role mentoring and advising students plays in student retention and student success. As Cynthia O'Dell and Linda Delunas will remind us later this morning, I believe it describes an institution that understands that

continuous improvement is absolutely necessary if student attainment is even going to be possible.

So I encourage all of you to visit the Blueprint Committee website that AVCAA O'Dell is going to introduce you to this morning. We need your help, feedback, recommendations, and critiques so we can be successful in this enterprise.

IV. Chancellor's Report—Chancellor Lowe began his report by thanking Dr. Gallmeier for his reflective remarks. Because of the campus' Town Hall Meeting immediately preceding this Fac Org meeting, Chancellor Lowe wished to entertain any questions about or further discussion of the points addressed earlier this morning.

Q: I've heard a rumor that one-half of the lab fees paid at IU Northwest are sent to IU Bloomington—is this rumor correct?

A: I don't know, but I don't think so.

Q: Once Tamarack is completely empty of personnel and equipment, are there plans to raze the building?

A: Yes, that is the plan. Because it's the original building on campus, a number of infrastructure systems run through it, so we need to keep that in mind. We don't have a timetable for demolition, but that is the ultimate goal.

Q: Is there any organized movement to influence our state legislature during this session regarding higher education?

A: There was a briefing last week. The opening proposals have come from the ICHE and the Governor's Office, and IU will be working with the legislature on those proposals. One of them involves performance measures, and the other one is the call for a three-percent reduction in the budget.

V. EVCAA's Report—Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs David Malik is attending a Blueprint for Student Attainment committee meeting today; Vice Chancellors Pellicciotti and Hodges are also at meetings today, so President Gallmeier next called upon Associate Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Cynthia O'Dell. Dr. O'Dell had four items to discuss with the faculty:

1. When we communicate with students, we should use our IU Northwest email account, not our private email accounts, and the students should do the same. To do this is to practice safe and secure computing. If a student does use a private email account, please write back and ask them to use their IU Northwest account.
2. Please adhere to the Fac Org resolution on no exams, final or otherwise, during the final week of classes. Lab courses are exempt.
3. Dr. O'Dell reminded the faculty about our policies on issuing an Incomplete and/or a Withdrawal grade. The work needs to be substantially completed and a memo from the faculty member, detailing what work needs to be completed, how the grade will be removed, and signed by the professor, needs to be on file in the department office.

Regarding the W, if that grade is assigned after Week 10 (or Week 4 during a summer session), the professor and the Dean need to sign off on it. Both of these policies are in our Bulletin, which is online and searchable.

4. Academic Affairs has created a new listserv, and we should see an email about it shortly. It will be used sparingly but will be helpful with important announcements.

VI. UFC Representative-Ellen Szarleta—UFC Resolution on AACU’s LEAP--

Dr. Szarleta reported on the status of the LEAP resolution (endorsed by the IUN Faculty Organization at its last meeting on Nov. 12, 2010) presented to UFC on Nov. 30, 2010. It appears that IUPUI and IUSB are wavering in support of the resolution, and IU Bloomington outright opposes it. So, our UFC reps wanted to bring that update to this body for any discussion.

Q: Why is there opposition to this LEAP resolution?

A: Part of it involves the fact that faculty did not author this resolution, and also some faculty had problems with the last paragraph of the resolution.

Q: Is IVTC a part of LEAP?

A: The role and participation of IVTC seems to be part of the resistance to the LEAP resolution at IUB and other campuses.

President Gallmeier asked the faculty to read the resolution carefully and send any additional questions and/or comments to him, or to our other two UFC reps, Dr. Szarleta and Dr. Montalbano.

Once again, the LEAP initiative is designed to place curriculum decisions in the hands of faculty and not the state legislature.

VII. I.T. Tech Tips—I.T.’s Jackie Coven, Paul Sharpe, and other I.T. personnel, along with CETL Director Charlotte Reed and CETL Instructional Technology Specialist Will Radell, presented a very helpful session about the next generation classroom technology. Introduced via a video produced by I.T.’s Instructional Media Services and featuring School of Education Stan Wigle and SOE faculty members Paul Blohm and Ju Park, the “TechSmart” classroom is up and running in Hawthorn Hall 329. Today’s presentation also included a live telecast from HH329. The video and telecast is available for viewing at https://www.iun.edu/~instrmed/videos/next_gen_classroom.shtml. For more information on this technology classroom, we may contact Charlotte Reed and/or Paul Sharpe.

Paul Sharpe noted that this cutting-edge technology results from IU’s strategic plan, “Empowering People.” He also informed us that Professor LaPointe received a grant to install a second classroom capture system in Raintree 102.

VIII. Blueprint Student Attainment Committees—Professor O’Dell presented information on the work of the Blueprint process. The six committees met during the fall semester (IU Northwest has two members on each committee and is the only campus with three committee co-

chairs). Interim reports have been produced and are posted for feedback on the Blueprint website at <http://www.iu.edu/~uapp/blueprint/index.html>. An “Emerging Themes” document has been constructed and was attached to today’s meeting agenda. The next steps, during spring semester, include the committees prioritizing their strategies and developing local and system metrics. Dr. O’Dell requested that the faculty look over the reports and send feedback to the committees to assist in prioritizing. Once the committees finish their work, the reports go to the Steering Committee, which will draft a strategic plan for the campus chancellors, who will finalize the plan.

IX. Sponsored Research—T.J. Stoops reported on the work of the Office of Sponsored Research. She provided a tour of the newly revamped OSR website at <http://www.iun.edu/~grants/>. Information from all funding agencies is now available in one place via this web site. In the past ten years, our campus has been awarded almost \$13 million in grants. The OSR’s goal this year is to reach \$1.5 million. Ms. Stoops distributed postcards and asked that we complete them with keywords to help research possible grants for our disciplines—just drop them in campus mail.

X. AQIP—Drs. O’Dell and Delunas informed the faculty that the AQIP Systems Portfolio has been updated and approved by AQIP. The Systems Portfolio is a “living document” and needs updating every year to demonstrate our continuous improvement. Professor O’Dell thanked the co-chairs of the AQIP committees:

Category 1 – Mary Ann Fischer and Cynthia O’Dell

Category 2 – Surekha Rao and Anna Rominger

Category 3 – Ellen Szarleta and Linda Templeton

Category 4 – Kim Rutherford and Carolyn Hartley

Category 5 - Chuck Gallmeier and Bill Lowe

Category 6 – Jon Becker and Joe Pellicciotti

Category 7 – Nelson Deleon and John Novak

Category 8 – David Malik and Linda Delunas

Category 9 – Rochelle Brock and Diane Hodges

These co-chairs will not be working with committees this year but will update topics ranging from helping students learn to planning for the future. Cynthia and Linda will be on every Fac Org agenda to talk about continuous improvement.

Dr. Delunas reminded the faculty that IU Northwest has three AQIP action projects:

1. Assessment of General Education
2. Transitioning to Responsibility Centered Management

3. Degree Audit Project

At an AQIP strategy forum attended last November, they worked on a potential fourth project dealing with re-imagining student advising. If we have ideas for other action projects, please let Linda, Cynthia, or John Novak know about them.

XI. Dr. Charles Gary--Dr. Gary, Director of Student Life, and Rufus the Redhawk conducted a Redhawk trivia contest at today's meeting, complete with fantastic prizes for the winners. Dr. Gary announced upcoming athletic events, including Homecoming, and urged all of us to come out and support the Redhawks teams whenever we can do so.

XII. Old Business—There was no old business.

XIII. New Business—The faculty were reminded to make an appointment in the next couple of weeks for a photograph session to provide images to update the IU Northwest web site and for media purposes.

XIV. Adjournment—A motion to adjourn was made, seconded, and passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned at 11:40 a.m.