

MUW
FACULTY SENATE

September 9, 2016
Cromwell 240

Members Present: Steven McCorkle, Ashley Chisolm, Cathy Smith, Youn Mi Lee, Michael Calvery, Ian Childers, Tammy Bolton, Jonathon Hooks, Carey McCarter, Melissa Smith, Chrystal Hodges, Bobby Fugitt, Mary Helen Hawkins, Valentin Bogdan, and Nicole Welch.

Vice-President McCorkle called the meeting to order at 12:17 p.m.

Tammy Bolton made a motion to approve the April minutes. Carey McCarter seconded the motion. The March Faculty Senate minutes were approved.

Committee Reports:

Administrative Council Report – Steven (for Lee)

The meeting discussed university degree productivity. There are budget cuts forthcoming. More information on the budget cuts in the coming weeks.

Expanded President's Cabinet-

Expanded President's Cabinet did not meet this month.

Monthly Meeting with the President- (from Lee)

Dr. Borsig plans to attend the October Faculty Senate meeting. A new round of budget cuts is imminent. Dr. Borsig hopes that not filling vacant positions will balance out. IHL has approved a tuition increase for the next year. There are plans already, but they could be postponed depending on cuts. All news points to enrollment being up by eleven percent. Every college is up compared to last year. There is now a focus on enrollment and retention. Individuals are interested in ideas on how to better serve students not living on campus.

Academic Council – (Steven)

There is a policy statement that is not under official review that the council would like faculty input on. Senators will receive an email with the policy statement in the next few weeks.

PIE Council- Ashley

New members of PIE Council were welcomed. The University Mission statement was reviewed and edited to remove the Carnegie institution language from the statement. Additionally, PIE committee will be formulating subcommittees to review the non-academic unit assessment plans in the coming weeks. The academic units will follow.

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Unfinished Business:

No unfinished business to discuss.

New Business:

Funding Requests

The following individuals submitted Level 1 Fund A requests: Jonathan Cumberland, Dr. Beverly Joyce, Dr. Gillian Furniss, Dr. Royal Toy, and Dr. Lorraine Gaddis. The funding requests committee/executive committee approved these requests. There is \$2600 remaining in Fund A. There have been no Fund B requests submitted at this time.

Hearing Panel Pool

Volunteers (3 male, 3 female) are needed for the 2016-2017 Hearing Panel Pool. The following individuals volunteered to fill the positions: Ashley Chisolm, Mary Helen Hawkins, and Jonathon Hooks. Senators were asked to return to their colleges and locate 1 additional female and 2 additional male volunteers.

Policy Reviews:

Policy 3546: Enrollment Management Council

There was concern over the punctuation used in the portion of the policy that says “The Council is responsible for examining, and making recommendation regarding, processes, procedures and structures which may impact student enrollment”. Tammy Bolton made a motion to approve the policy with the recommendation that the commas after examining and regarding be removed. Youn Mi Lee seconded the motion. The motion was approved with recommended changes.

MUW University Apartments (New)

Ian Childers made a motion to approve the policy. Valentin Bogdan seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

University Housing Committee (New)

There was concern over the use of the term ‘advise’ versus ‘assist’ throughout the policy. Ian Childers made a motion to approve the policy with the recommendation that the term ‘advise’ is changed to ‘assist’ throughout the policy. Melissa Smith seconded the motion. The motion was approved with the recommended changes.

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Other:

Suggested 2016-2017 Meeting Dates: September 9th, October 14th, November 11th, December 10th (if necessary), February 10th, March 10th, April 21st, May 12th (if necessary)

Vice-President McCorkle adjourned the meeting at 12:58 p.m.