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FACULTY SENATE

September 8, 2017
Cromwell 240

Members Present: Ashley Chisolm, Steven McCorkle, Cathy Smith, Thomas Haffey, Michelle Harmon, Chrystal Hodges, Ian Childers, Mary Helen Hawkins, James Terry Todd, Dorothy Berglund, Tammy Bolton, Carey McCarter, Susan Hurley, Nicole Welch, Jonathon Hooks, and Melissa Smith.

Vice President Ashley Chisolm called the meeting to order at 12:16 p.m.

VP Chisolm welcomed everyone back, with special welcome to Susan Hurley and acknowledgement that she will be filling in for Val due to a shift in administrative responsibilities for the semester.

Minutes were reviewed and discussed. Cathy Smith moved to accept with revisions. Tammy Bolton seconded, and the motion carried.

Committee Reports:

Administrative Council Report – Ashley (for Lee)

August 4th and Sept 8th meetings both covered

Retention rates are good

Campus visits are up (due at least partially to athletics)

Athletic locker rooms in Pohl have been renovated/completed

Lots of small improvement projects in works or have been completed

Steam leaks in Hogarth

Bids on Whitfield roof

New defibrillators on campus as of summer

Library in final stages

Reorganization and efficiencies was focused on

No jobs lost but partial hiring pause still in effect

Parking issues are being examined and addressed

Enrollment is down ~5%, FTE down ~2%

Dual enrollment took a hit as anticipated

Still near record high enrollment

No budget news

116 student athletes on campus in 5 sports

Trufant and Borsig headed to Indianapolis for NCAA meetings

Faculty/Staff Campaign at 59%

New video cameras have been installed, policies available (to be emailed out by Ashley)

Complete to Compete program

Not a big impact

79 applications

1 student enrolled

Grant money is available for this

Academic Council Report – Ashley

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2 step authentication was focused on

Without authentication, students fail regardless of grade per policy. This is a federal compliance issue and must be strictly adhered to.

Recommendation is that authentication must be completed prior to midterm in order to catch students before failure.

Upcoming safety drill partnered with Baptist to be held off campus this year to test/utilize some of their equipment. Campus will still test W-alert as part of the community wide drill.

Registering all after hours activities appropriately is a significant priority to increase awareness by campus and police to ensure safety.

Pre-program coding has been a focus due to changes in federal financial aid requirements. Some are temporary changes until permanent solutions can be addressed.

PIE- Steven

No meeting yet.

Meeting with the President- Ashley for Lee

Most issues same as administrative council. Dual enrollment. Parking. Changes in international students with enrollment down and possible change in recruitment coming. 34% state funded as an institution. Administrative review committee is changing to sustainability, a permanent committee. Foundation is in silent phase of new campaign.

Unfinished Business:

Housing Committee – University Apartments

Still waiting for staff council as well as communication from Nora.

Faculty Senate Constitutional Review by Executive Committee

Have changes from 2014 to use as template. Open call for input from senators and all faculty. Review will start the following week.

Athletic Advisory Committee

Tollison is athletic advisory rep. Advisory committee should not be revisited until full understanding of current Division III requirements and NCAA meeting.

New Business:

Volunteers for Funding Review Committee

Melissa Smith, Cathy Smith, and Thomas Haffey volunteered. Ian Childers moved to accept these volunteers for the funding review committee. Terry Todd seconded, and the motion passed.

Policy Reviews:

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PS 1201: Discussed defining what constitutes true distance learning versus what is simply web enhanced or utilizing Canvas. Melissa Smith moved to table for time to look into definitions prior to amendment/revision. Ian Childers seconded, and the motion carried.

PS 3516: Discussed with questions regarding the seeming open ended quality of this policy, with specific regard to term limits or limits on consecutive terms. Specific concerns brought forward on the idea of providing stability for the students by knowing who will be there for the duration of their time with the college. Dorothy Berglund moved to table pending questions to Honor's College. Nicole Welch seconded.

PS 3538: dropped for review due to structural/editorial changes only.

Other:

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