## Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

## 29 March 2019

Senators present: Kenny Purcell, Brandon Field, Mary Doerner, Rex Strange, Rich Bennett, Peter Cashel-Cordo, Ken Shemroske, Chad Tew, Steven Williams, Marilyn Ostendorf, Shannon Pritchard, Brooke Mathna.

Other attendees: Mohammed Khayum, Amy Chan Hilton, Andrea Wright.

- Meeting called to order: 2:33 pm.
- Motion made to approve last meetings minutes, most recently circulated version 2.
  - o Motion to amend the minutes on several points of discussion that were recorded inaccurately. Edits approved.
  - o Minutes from 15 March meeting approved unanimously.
- Chair's Report:
  - o Attended Academic Planning council. New degree certificates were approved.
  - Attended Freedom of Expression meeting on 19 March, to discuss the questions of the Social Media policy and the updating of freedom of expression.
    - The USI Social Media policy is being updated, and Kenny will be kept in the loop.
  - o A number of charges that we had approved were forwarded to the Provost Office.
  - We need two names for representatives to University Committees:
    - One representative to the Data Governance Committee. Anyone interested in being on this committee should contact Kat Draughon or Richard Toeniskoetter.
    - Also need a representative to the University Athletics Council.
    - If we send names to Kenny by next Friday, we can vote on them at the next meeting.
  - o The Honorary Degree Council also needs a member, but the membership has a standard rotation of College representatives, so we do not need to suggest nominees at this time.
  - o SET feedback: We found a change in language between what OPRA had published for the SET. Jeanie McAlister provided Kenny an update:
    - The Net Promoter Score has been removed
    - The language has been reverted to the original language that the ad hoc committee had developed.
    - She was interested in our thoughts about changing the name of the survey.
  - We *will* have a meeting on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, because not all of the subcommittees will have their reports done by next Friday. Kenny will limit the meeting to accepting subcommittee reports, and some of the reports may be incomplete.
- Provost's Report, Dr. Khayum:
  - o Interviewed nine candidates for the Student Trustee position. The University will submit the list of the people to the Governor's Office and they will have phone interviews and then select a number to have interviews in Indianapolis, and the selection will be made.
  - o The Inauguration was planned to be finished in time for noon classes. The Governor was originally not supposed to speak, but he has asked for an opportunity to speak. This addition to the agenda may mean that people who had been planning on being done by

- noon may not be done by noon, and they may want to reconsider their attendance plans.
- o Orientation and Registration: we had orientations both yesterday and today, both filled, and there are additional people who have signed up since last Senate meeting. There are still about 600 students that we would like to see sign up for an orientation.
- o There will be two charges he will bring to Senate in the future:
  - There is a piece in the handbook about outside work being limited to one day per week for full time work, and having a limit on how much can be earned. This section is going to be removed, but wording will be inserted communicating the expectation that the faculty member's chair be involved in discussions about how much external work is being and whether or not that work interferes with regular employment.
  - Regarding contract, full time faculty, renewable every year: the current text in the handbook could be interpreted that if you have been here for 3 or more years, you need to be given one year notice, but it is not completely clear. They are looking to clarify the handbook language so that a conditional reappointment could be taken to be the one year's notice. He is working on the language, and then Senate will need to review it after that, probably to the Faculty Affairs subcommittee.

## • Old Business:

- University Curriculum Committee had a charge about Technology Enhanced Courses; the motion was made to table this charge because it will be a part of their final report which will be heard next meeting.
- o Representative of Library Faculty on Faculty Senate charge:
  - The question of which librarians would be eligible to serve came up.
  - The question of how the implementation be done came up.
  - Since this would involve changes to the Constitution, we would need to send it out to the whole faculty for a vote.
  - There are other faculty who are not affiliated with any College that should be included under this seat as well. Kenny will rework a proposal to the Constitution that we can vote on at the next meeting.
  - Motion passes with one opposed.

## • New Business:

- o Motion made to accept the New and expectant mother parking charge.
  - The charge was changed to request that the administration remove the temporary nature of the temporary on-campus handicap tag, and allow a physician's recommendation to extend the length of the time that was valid.
  - It was the opinion of the body that the students may or may not respect the New and Expectant Mothers parking space.
  - Kenny will communicate with Public Safety to forward our concerns and recommendation.
- Meeting adjourned: Around 4:30 pm.