UNIVERSITY SENATE
Thursday, May 19, 2011
3:45 p.m. – Faculty House

I. Call to Order


Alternates present were: Mark Doggett (for Greg Arbuckle), Unreadable (for Blaine Ferrell), Cathleen Web (for Michael McIntyre), Rico Tyler (Vicki Metzgar), Unreadable (for Christy Spurlock), K. Boka (for Travis Taylor), QiLi (for Huanjing Wang), John Gottfried (for Carol Watwood), Peter Hamburger (for Di Wu)

The following members were absent: Greg Arbuckle, Mike Binder, Nathan Bishop, John Bonaguro, Richard Bowker, Erika Brady, Pitt Derryberry, Vladimir Dobrokhotov, Scott Droege, Jill Duba, Karin Egloff, Nikolai Endres, Sam Evans, Nathan Fisher, Jim Fulkerson, Dennis George, Charlie Harris, Jan Hunt-Shephard, Alex Lebedinsky, David Lee, Mac McKerral, Tracey Moore, Roger Murphy, Steve Nagy, Kumiko Nemoto, Ivan Novikov, Yvonne Petkus, Mark Pickard, Matt Pruitt, Gary Ransdell, Angela Robertson, Mark Schafr, Gary Schallert, Michael E. Smith, Martin Stone, Dana Sullivan, Adrian Switzer, Donald Swoboda, Samanta Thapa, Megan Thompson, Dawn G. Wright, David Zimmer

II. Approve April, 2011 Minutes

Approval: Approved as posted.

III. Reports:

1. Chair – Kelly Madole
   • Special called meeting of Senate: June 7, 1:30, MMTH auditorium.
   • Need at-large representatives for all committees (not necessarily Senators)
   • Complaint Committee – Not voting now. We will have this election on June 7. Waiting to hear from colleges as to who their candidates are.

2. Vice Chair – Molly Kerby (no report)
3. Advisory

a. **Faculty Regent** – Patti Minter
   - BOR met at the end of April. Casted a no vote on the $70 fee assessed to students to pay for renovation of DUC. (Only no vote)
   - Concerns as to how the resolution was written:
     - 20 year bond and student payments are supposed to stop as soon as the bond payment is repaid. Nothing in resolution that says that will happen.
     - Called board meeting (for budget) again June 24. She will send link when budget is made public. Budget will include a motion for a 5% tuition increase. Is 60% of what we need to meet cost of living increases. 5% is max of what CPE will allow. All student fees will be approved by CPE.
     - Finally – a board retreat on the 28th and 29th.

b. **Provost** – Gordon Emslie
   - Three recommendations; all approved
   - Retention – focus of most of the summer; Retention task force led by Doug McElroy
   - Deans retreat July 20
   - President Ransdell Aug 22nd convocation address
   - New staff member Emily Dillard, new special events coordinator

c. **SGA President** – Billy Stephens
   - June 10 he and Dr. Ransdell will present to the CPE the DUC resolution

IV. Standing Committee Reports:

1. **Graduate Council** (see attached report) – Nevil Speer
   - Chair Speer moved approval with one alteration of the GC report.
   - Move with removal of final resolution dealing with concentrations.
   - Motion Approved.

2. **Undergraduate Curriculum Committee** (see attached report) – Pam Petty
   - Move to approve – Pam Petty; Second – Jon White
     - DS: Lauren Bland – Ask that the academic policy regarding upper division be moved from consent to action agenda.
     - DS of report without proposal: No discussion
     - UCC report Approved
     - Motion to approve revisal of academic policy: Motion - Pam Petty; seconded Senator.
     - DS: Lauren Bland – proposed Senate not support the proposal today. Offered 2 other suggestions to proposal.
     - Lauren Bland - Move to amend proposal.
       - Motion Robert Dietle; Second Barbara Bush
       - DS:
         - CAD statement presented from Dr. Emslie (see attached statement)
         - Robert Dietle suggested amendment to proposal “and other applied associate degree majors / if when approved.”
         - Motion to vote immediately – Rich Weigle – vote passes.
         - Motion to vote on amending proposal. 24 pass. 16 no.
     - Second amendment - Move to include AMS: (P. Hamburger); Second J. White
     - Friendly amendment to correct name Technology Management Program, not AMS and to include it in this proposal.
• Voting on amended proposal: Amendment passes.

• Voting on amended proposal including Technology Management and Nursing from Lauren Bland. “Students transferring with an applied associates degree (e.g. Associate of Applied Science) into the following majors must complete a minimum of 30 undergraduate semester hours in upper division courses; Architecture and Manufacturing Sciences, Computer Information Technology Systems, Management, Dental Hygiene, Health Sciences, Nursing, other majors if/when approved.

• Senator - Move to vote immediately; second J. White
Motion passes 28 yes/12 no.

3. **Ad hoc Committee on Curriculum and Governance Final Recommendations**

   o Nevil Speer –Recommendation to create a committee to look at separating curriculum from government.
   o Motion – P. Hamburger; second Barbara Bush.
   o DS: Sunkin – How other universities such as benchmarks – do they include curriculum in Senate?
   o Speer: They are all over the place. It’s done differently everywhere.
   o Robert Dietle: (Amending) There will be no new structure without a faculty referendum.
   o (Rich Weigle second).
   o Vote – passes unanimously.
   o **Back to forming a committee to changing university structure to having separate bodies.**
   o Vote: motion passes; one no.

V. **New Business:**

1. **Key Control Policy 6.0100** (for comments)
   a. Motion to informally consider this policy – White so moved / Second – Webb
   b. Motion that Chair Madole will write a letter to the responsible officers encompassing the variety of things that were expressed in the Senate meeting concerning the key policy.
   c. White moved; Hamburger seconded.
   d. Vote passes.

2. **Nonpayment and access policy**, 1.3030
   a. Motion to recommend policy to provost: Jane Olmstead motions; White second.
   b. Motion passes.

3. **Dual Career Partner Assistance Policy** and FWPAC Memorandum
   a. Eric - Friendly amendment to formal approval process II (policy) a., Guidelines, 3b.
   “Following an appropriate interview and evaluation process, an offer of employment to the spouse or partner may only be extended if there is strong support from the department or unit where the position is located…” change to “Following an appropriate interview and evaluation process, an offer of employment to the spouse or partner may only be extended if there is strong support from the majority of voting members in the department or unit where the position is located.”
   b. Eric: Motion to approve friendly amendment. Seconded.
   c. Kate Webb motioned; Second by Wilson to strike the wording “a majority of the voting members”
   d. Voting on moving the policy forward for consideration.
e. Ending debate on striking the wording – vote passes.
f. Policy as it is written: motion to recommend policy moves forward.
g. Ending debate motion Senator, seconded John White. Motion passes.
h. Motion to move policy forward for Provost to review: 28/5

4. Faculty Handbook Draft and Suggested Approval Procedure

   a. Eric Reed – See attached suggested approval procedure. Eric makes motion to approve suggested approval procedure.
   b. Motion passes.

   Reminder of special called meeting for the 2nd reading of the Faculty Handbook: Tuesday, June 7 at 1:30

Motion to adjourn – John White (5:27pm)
Respectfully submitted by Darbi Haynes-Lawrence, Secretary