**M I N U T E S**

November 24, 2014

4:00 PM

University Faculty Senate

Shawnee State University

**Call to Order**

UFS President Andrew Feight called the meeting to order at 4pm.

**Roll Call**

Secretary Janet Holtman recorded attendance (as follows):

Present: John Bedick, Sean Dunne, Catherine Bailey, Glenna Heckler-Todt, Janet Snedegar, Linda Hunt, Keenan Perry, Krista Maxson, Tony Ward, Nick Meriwether, Virginia Pinson, Nancy Bentley, Isabel Graziani.

Absent: Patric Leedom, Adam Miller, John Huston, Daniel Finnen.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes from the last meeting were corrected and approved by acclamation.

**UFS Officer Reports**

President's Report: UFS President Andrew Feight reported on the Ohio Faculty Council's discussion of a new directive for academic program review with reference to the Ohio Transfer Module. The President noted that we are not alone in being out of compliance and observed that our GEP revision may help us to match the five categories in the Chancellor's directive.

President Feight also announced that the Research and Scholarly Activities Committee may be calling for nominations for the Distinguished Teaching award soon and that the SEA/UFS Social will be February 13, from 5-9 pm. at The Lofts (the expected number of people at the catered event will be around 60). He further announced that Dan Chaffin has resigned from the Faculty Assessment Committee and that our next meeting will be January 26, 2015.

Treasurer's Report: UFS Treasurer Jim Reneau reported on the UFS budget and distributed a handout (attached). The report was accepted by acclamation.

**Administration Reports**

Provost Report: Becky Thiel reported for Alan Walker. Her report included mentions of the "Dashboard" component that will appear on the university website, which may provide information (such as course enrollment numbers) for program reviews, the CLA+ assessment that will be administered to a select number of freshmen and seniors in order to measure skills (6 components consistent with the GEP ELOs), and that the University President will meet with the Provost soon to provide more information regarding budgetary issues.

**Announcements from the Floor**

Krista Maxson raised the issues of the state’s new college credit plus law and the need to develop university policy to match the new law, as well as the appointment of Bob Trusz to the position of Vice President of Student Affairs without a formal search.

After discussion of the appointment issue, there was consensus regarding a formal resolution of disapproval. The Executive Committee will review draft language from Maxson.

**Committee Reports**

Budget Priorities Committee: Acting Chair Feight reported that Jim Reneau is now chair and observed that the committee had recently taken issue with President Rita Morris's budgeting principles, namely that they focused heavily on cuts at the expense of increasing revenue. These principles were read to the Senate and some discussion ensued, during which, Jim Reneau noted that mention might be made of recruitment, growth, reduction of debt default, etc. It was then stated that the committee is drafting language for revision of the principles (comparable to that of peer institutions) for consideration by the UFS Executive Committee, and there will be a report at the January meeting.

Ad Hoc Committee on Course Initiation: Ann Linden reported that language is being prepared for the January meeting and will be distributed in advance.

Ad Hoc Committee on Hiring Procedures: Jennifer Pauley reported that the committee met during the previous week and that members included representatives from HR, faculty, and administration whose priorities and goals were not as far apart as might have been thought. A chair will be elected via email ballot and a meeting time will be established for next semester.

Enrollment Management and Student Life: Marc Scott reported on efforts to communicate with students about registration and the need for a coherent plan for recruitment.

Presidential Search Advisory Committee: Marc Scott spoke about the search timeline and provided the Senate with a handout that included key dates (see attached). He noted that the board will receive 12-15 dossiers from the consulting firm and will provide the Advisory Committee with the dossiers of the 2-4 finalists selected from this pool.

After discussion of this report, it was determined that the senate wished to record a protest to this manner of proceeding; it was determined that there should be more than two finalists from which to select and that a motion should be made to establish a written resolution to reflect this opinion. The Executive Committee was tasked with proposing the resolution and submitting to the Senate for an email vote in order for the resolution to be delivered to the Board of Trustees before the end of the year.

**New Business**

A. Motion to authorize the Executive Committee to craft resolution language on the Presidential Search and submit the resolution to the Senate for an email vote before the end of the year. This motion passed unanimously.

B. EPCC Items

 1. Engineering Technologies

 a. Change of Degree – B.S. in Computer Engineering Technology

 b. Change of Degree – B.S. in Digital Simulation and Gaming Engineering

 Technology

 c. New Course – ETEC 2110: Systems Programming

 d. New Course – ETEC 3302: Systems Architecture

 e. Minor Course Changes – ETEC 1101, ETEC 2101, ETEC 3701, ETGG 3801

 2. Social Sciences

 a. Minor course change -- HIST 2530

 b. Change of Degree – B.A. in History

 3. Rehabilitation and Sport Professions

 a. Minor course change – SSES 3050

 4. Mathematical Sciences

 a. Minor course change – MATH 1020

 b. New Department Bylaws

 5. Nursing

 a. Minor course change – BSNR 3341

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 6. English and Humanities

 a. Change of Degree – B.A. in English/Humanities, Generalist

 b. New Course – ENGL 3333: GLBTQ American Literature

 c. New Course – ENGL 3334: Comparative Queer Theory and Literature

 d. New Course – ENGL 3336: GLBTQ British Literature After 1800

 e. New Course – ENGL 3339: Comparative Inter-American Literature

 f. New Course – ENGL 3347: American Women Writers

 g. New Course – ENGL 3348: Comparative Feminist Literature and Theory

 h. New Course – ENGL 3349: Women in Literature Before 1800

 i. New Course – ENGL 3350: British Women Writers After 1800

 j. New Course – ENGL 4472: 21st Century American Literature

 k. Warehousing – ENGL 3360: Contemporary British and American

 Literature

 l. Minor course changes – ENGL 3341, LING 3365

 7. College of Professional Studies

 a. New Mission Statement

 8. Academic Appeals Committee

 a. Change in Existing Policy – Academic Probation

 b. Change in Existing Policy – Academic Suspension/Dismissal, Permanent Dismissal

B. Graduate Council Items

 1. Mathematics

 a. New Course - MATH 6610: Quantitative Methods I

 b. New Course - MATH 6620: Quantitative Methods II and Test Theory

 c. New Course - MATH 6999: Special Topics (1-3 credit hours)

 d. Minor Course Change - MATH 5500: Applied Regression I

 e. Minor Course Change - MATH 6500 Applied Regression II

 f. Minor Course Change - MATH 6996 Research I

 g. Minor Course Change - MATH 6997 Research II

 h. Minor Course Change - MATH 6998 Research III

 2. English & Humanities

 a. Program Development Plan - MA in Rhetoric & Composition

All items bundled, approved, and adopted.

Meeting adjourned at 5:15.