

MINUTES  
FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE  
DECEMBER 6, 2005

ATTENDANCE:

CHAIR: Steve Schlough  
VICE CHAIR: Forrest Schultz

SECRETARY: Anne Hoel  
PAST CHAIR: Mike Galloy

PRESENT: D. Albrecht, B. Anderson, S. Cole, J. Dzissah, B. Finder, L. Koepke, K. Mauldin, K. Parejko, G. Ruenger,

EXCUSED: K. Martinson, B. Murphy

GUEST: J. Furst-Bowe

I. Call to Order – 2:40 p.m.

II. Announcements and Information – Chair Schlough announced that the Chancellor and Vice Chancellor Moen would be coming to the meeting after the Chancellor’s Holiday Reception.

III. Minutes of November 15, 2005 (Attachment 1)

Motion: Finder/Parejko moved to approve the Minutes of November 15, 2005.

Correction: Parejko asked that “PRC” be changed to “GEC” on Page 2, Item F, Line 13.

Vote: Passed as corrected.

IV. Chancellor’s Report – No report.

V. Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs’ Report – Provost Furst-Bowe reported that the Chancellor convened an external advisory board comprised of corporate leaders and felt good about the meeting, as the leaders are supportive of Stout’s initiatives. She added that the polytechnic working group was in the process of being formalized, and a memo will be sent out. Faculty Senate Vice Chair, Forrest Schultz, has agreed to chair the group, and notices will be sent out to the Senate Chairs and Deans requesting members. The campus received 23 proposals for the Curricular Incubation Center, and recommendations will be made for funding.

VI. Vice Chancellor for Administrative and Student Life Services’ Report – No report.

VII. Committee Reports

Committee chairs are requested to give oral reports to the Executive Committee and prepare brief written reports for Faculty Senate meetings. Committee chairs who are not Senators need not attend Senate meetings unless there are specific agenda items from their committee on the agenda. Reports should be submitted by e-mail to Joy by noon on Thursdays. All standing committee chairs are expected to attend the Executive Committee Meetings, since they are voting members of the group.

A. Curriculum & Instruction (Steve Cole) – No report. However, Cole gave an update regarding the CIO Search and explained that four candidates were selected for interviews. Cole said that he served on the telephone interview committee, heard all candidates, and helped select which four to invite to campus. The CIO Search Committee also will meet with each candidate each day they are on campus. Lunch will include the candidate, both Senate Chairs, as well as the SSA President, with open sessions scheduled during the afternoon. The committee plans on meeting again when all of the interviews are completed (after December 19) to detail strengths and weaknesses of each candidate; however, the final decision will rest with the Chancellor. Cole concluded that the interview process was driven by Human Resources, and all legal aspects and rules will be adhered to.

B. Educational Activities (Donna Albrecht) – No report.

C. Elections (Forrest Schultz) – Ballots have been sent to all faculty regarding the Faculty Senate Election. They are due to the Senate Office by 4:30 p.m. on Monday, December 12, and will be counted on December 15 at 1:00 p.m.

D. Finance Committee (Bill Murphy) – Ruenger reported that they will meet on December 8.

E. Graduate Education Committee (Gene Ruenger) - Chair Schlough distributed the revised

- bylaws and explained that the item was tabled during the November 29 Faculty Senate Meeting because people wanted to see the old and revised language. Ruenger reported that a task force had been formed to help establish a recommendation for TOEFEL, as they are in the process of reviewing testing and numbering protocol. Schlough asked if GREC was examining the Add/Drop for graduate students. Ruenger replied that they were.
- F. General Education (Ken Parejko) – Parejko reported that GEC would meet on December 9.
  - G. Personnel Policies (Karen Martinson) – No report.
  - H. Planning & Review (Brian Finder) – Finder distributed his report and explained that PRC met on December 2 and reviewed the B.A. in Psychology, the M.S. and Ed.S. in Career and Technical Education Programs, and heard the proposal to plan for the B.S. in Information and Communication Technologies Program by Len Bogner. Finder said that the process for updating PRC’s internal Program Audit and Review Plan was nearing completion and could be shared with the Senate next semester.
  - I. Other

**VIII. Old Business**

- A. Polytechnic Designation (tabled from October 18 Faculty Senate Meeting for more input) Chair Schlough stated that this item was still on the table and wouldn’t be voted on after the Faculty Senate received additional information.
- B. Technology and Faculty Evaluations (Steve Schlough and Bob Peters) – Chair Schlough explained that Peters talked about this during the last Faculty Senate Meeting. There was a concern that faculty could be evaluated on the basis of how often they used the digital components in their classrooms. Schlough said that he asked Senators to think about the issue and send him any feedback, so the Executive Committee could take further discussion of the item. It was agreed that this item would remain on the Agenda for one more meeting.
- C. Faculty Senate Continues to Engage in Polytechnic Discussion (Motion from Faculty Senate Meeting of November 29) - Chair Schlough explained that the Senate passed a resolution for them to continue to engage in the polytechnic discussion. Galloy added that the Faculty Senate didn’t feel comfortable yet with voting the polytechnic university up or down without obtaining more information, but only wanted to keep the polytechnic discussion alive. This item would also be kept on the Agenda, allowing discussion to ensue week by week.
- D. Graduate Education Committee Bylaw Changes (tabled from November 29 Faculty Senate Meeting) – It was agreed to place this item on the December 13 Agenda.
- E. Other

**IX. New Business**

- A. Salary Guidelines for 2006-2007 (Karen Martinson) - Chair Schlough distributed the Salary Guidelines to the group. Hoel explained that the policy basically remains unchanged, but PPC added the words, “to include salary compression,” in Item E. This item will be placed on the December 13 Faculty Senate Agenda.
- B. Other – December 2, 2005 Faculty Reps Report – Chair Schlough reported that he attended the December 2 Faculty Reps Meeting in Madison, and there was a bill being discussed whether or not to vote for faculty collective bargaining rights. The states that have collective bargaining for faculty were ranked higher than those who don’t, he added. Schlough noted that the collective bargaining issue was introduced by Republican representatives, so might have a better chance of passing through the approval process. The Reps also discussed the concern that faculty weren’t speaking out regarding certain legislative issues and as a result, the legislators don’t know what they want regarding the pay plan and other issues; they tend to vote according to the feedback they receive. Cole suggested it may be helpful having Stout’s TAUWP representatives come and talk to the Senate.

**X. Adjournment – 2:59 p.m.**

Respectfully submitted,  
Anne Hoel, Secretary

Recorded and prepared by,  
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