

MINUTES
FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
APRIL 4, 2006
NORTHWOODS ROOM
2:30-4:30 P.M.

ATTENDANCE:

CHAIR: Steve Schlough
VICE CHAIR: Forrest Schultz

SECRETARY: Anne Hoel
PAST CHAIR: Mike Galloy

PRESENT: B. Anderson, J. Dzissah, M. Galloy, K. Mauldin, S. Schlough, B. Peters, F. Schultz, A. Hoel, G. Ruenger, B. Finder, D. Albrecht, K. Parejko,

EXCUSED: S.Cole. L. Koepke,

GUESTS: Chancellor Sorensen

I. Call to Order -2:31 p.m.

II. Announcements and Information

Schlough explained that two grievances have been brought forth to the Positive Action Committee. Wayne Argo requests additional names to add to the pool of faculty to draw upon during the process. Senate officers will be included, with a drawing for the order of service as follows: 1. Mauldin; 2. Schultz; 3. Galloy; 4. Hoel; 5. Schlough

III. Minutes of March 7, 2006 (Attachment 1)

Motion: Finder /Mauldin moved to approve the Minutes of March 7, 2006.

Vote: Passed unanimously.

IV. Chancellor's Report

To get Colleges more involved in the strategic planning process, each college will be asked to share ideas they see as critical issues for the future. Transformational goals are being sought to create a broad consensus of issues to take to the summer retreat in July. The deadline for submission is April 17.

The Provost search is progressing, with six candidates invited to campus. The search committee recommended waiving the telephone interviews and a schedule for campus interviews is currently being developed. Interviews are anticipated to occur in late April.

The Polytechnic Steering Committee report is due out this week. The Tower marketing group is beginning their work.

First-Bowe will be drafting a third version of the COBE initiative in response to questions by the Board of Regents. It is frustrating to have produced a 20+ page document, as well as a 5 page summary, yet now be asked to draft a document outlining highlights from both documents. It appears as though the Regents weren't given both reports, based on feedback questioning why freshmen aren't addressed, why the proposal is so technical, and will quality be compromised by the speed of the process. UW-Stout wanted to expedite the process as it was felt that this was an integral part of the COBE initiative. Plans are to educate the Regents on COBE, including the internal process training offered at UW-Stout at their April meeting.

Galloy wondered how long large governing bodies will continue to hinder the progress of innovation. Schlough commented that it seemed as though System administrators didn't want to see the lengthy report, or encourage Regents to do so.

V. Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs Report

A. AQIP Systems Portfolio (Julie Furst-Bowe)-No report. Schlough asked Senator's to read the attachment prior to the next meeting.

VI. Vice Chancellor for Administrative and Student Life Service's Report-No report.

VII. Committee Reports

- A. Curriculum & Instruction-No report.
- B. Educational Activities-Grade change subcommittee is looking at students being allowed to strike a member from the proposed grievance committee, while faculty is not.
- C. Elections-No report.
- D. Finance Committee-No report.
- E. Graduate Education Committee-No report.
- F. General Education- Joan Thomas from Student Services visited the committee to discuss learning communities. There is support, yet concerns when linking courses, as general education courses shouldn't lose their general education nature. The April 7 meeting will discuss amending or updating category criteria. A general education assessment is now taking place via a web format. Department chairs have received the assessment.
- G. Personnel Policies-No report.
- H. Planning and Review- Finder distributed a PRC Report to the group and explained that the committee met on March 31 and reviewed the M.S. and Ed.S. in School Psychology Dean's response; B.S. in Early Childhood Education Program; and updated PRC Program Audit and Review Plan. The committee will meet again on April 7, 2006.
- I. Polytechnic Steering Committee-An electronic report will be disseminated this week. Forums are scheduled for Friday, April 7 at 9:05 a.m. in Ballroom A and Monday, April 10 at 1:25 p.m. in Ballroom C.
- J. Other

VIII. Old Business

- A. Polytechnic Designation (tabled from October 18 Faculty Senate Meeting for more input)
- B. Faculty Senate Continues to Engage in Polytechnic Discussion (Motion from Faculty Senate Meeting of November 29, 2005)
- C. UWS 7 (Steve Schlough; Attachment 2) Regents are not acting on the issue until their May meeting. The UW-Whitewater resolution will be presented to the full Senate at the next meeting.
- D. Polytechnic Survey- After much discussion, the Executive Committee endorsed the following wording regarding the Polytechnic Survey that will be sent to all Faculty:

“The Faculty Senate desires feedback concerning the polytechnic designation. Please check one response:

_____ UW-Stout should adopt the polytechnic designation

_____ UW-Stout should not adopt the polytechnic designation

_____ No opinion; pro or con”

IX. New Business

- A. Facility Policy- Bob Johnson and Meredith Wentz re-wrote the policy as the one being referenced in previous discussions, as the original wasn't current.
- B. Other- NSSE executive summary and results will be reviewed and passed on to the full Senate for an official response. Freshman and Senior's areas of improvement and area of celebration, along with their quality of writing are focuses.

VII. Adjournment - 4:12 p.m.

Recorded and respectfully submitted,
Anne Hoel, Secretary