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EASTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY
Faculty Senate

Session-2 Minutes - Draft

3--5 pm, October 4th, 2017, 310A Student Center

Present: Quiel, Rahman, Deutsch, Foster, Brewer, Hayworth, Kashler, Kustron, Willis, Barton, Millan, Spragg, Carpenter, McVey McTague, Bari, Pawlowski, Kovacevic, Patrick, Brodsky, Eisenbach, Leon, Spolans, Elton, Saules, Amiday, Chou, Francis, Woods, Trewn, McMahon, Moore, Curran

Guests: Longworth, Tew, Kulberg, Larry Borum, Miles Payne,

- I. Review and approval of the agenda – Approved unanimously.
- II. Review and approval of 9-20 minutes – Approved with two abstentions
- III. Senate Photo shoot – move till 3:30pm when photographers arrive
- IV. Senate Logistics/infrastructure
 - A. Introduce New Members
 - B. Winter 2018 Calendar set – review and add your calendar
 - C. Ballot – a revised ballot has been prepared for ease of use – Distributed in meeting. Sadaf Ali (CAS) and Tsu-Yin Wu (CHHS) were added.
 - D. Move: Approved by acclamation all uncontested candidates.
 - E. Time for senators to speak on behalf of candidates they know.
 - Executive Board Vacancy – Technology
 - Committee Vacancies: Attachments
- V. Committee reports
 - A. Athletic Issues (Moore) First meeting of semester to be scheduled.
Would we like to invite new athletic director Weatherbee, to this meeting.
Purpose – get to know him; name to face.
 - B. Technology Issues (Vacant) Still open. Andrey Kashler will consider this with R Quiel.
 - C. Student Issues (Trewn) Meets this week.
 - D. Academic Issues (Palowski)

- Starfish Early Alert
 1. Lack of faculty input
 2. Emails misrepresent that they come directly from faculty which is not the case, but this has changed.
 3. Increase in reporting represents increase in faculty time and perhaps workload. Is it required?

Comments:

1. No meaningful feedback will be available till after the deadline, for some.
2. Meaningful comments can be extraordinarily time-consuming for many faculty, especially with large classes
3. Many school have their own early warning system and so this is double duty for many.
4. Would like to see literature on how effective this is.

Tew: This is not required of faculty. You can do it for some students and not all. Or you don't have to do it at all. He will draft explanations discussed and circulate to senate tomorrow.

5. Was this discussed with AAUP in advance? Tew: No, it wasn't. No more work than athletic reports. Even less, per Tew. And not required.

6. Faculty didn't know it wasn't required, based on email.

7. Data interpretation – Interpret with caution.

8. Why weren't faculty involved in this at the start? If they were, we wouldn't be having this discussion. Tew: I appreciate that.

E. Budget and Resources (Carpenter)

- BoR Faculty Affairs Committee Presentation on October 20th –Rob Carpenter and Mahmud Rahman will emphasize how priorities and metrics in budgeting for non-profit institutions of higher learnings are different from profit seeking corporations.

- Committee went through FY 17 budget. We're 5000 credit hours down from what we budgeted – about 3-3.5%. This is a \$6-8 million shortfall. Fewer people left, and there were some healthcare costs that account for about half of shortfall. Transfers down 5.5%, grad students down by 10%. Financial aid is going up.

F. Institutional Issues (Barton)

- Drone Policy Feedback – continue to collect feedback. Send to Quiel, JD and Rahman. Provost: How are recordings stored? Secure separate server in Pray Harrold. Length of time kept – average is between 65 and 90 days. Then it is copied over. If a specific crime is being investigated, they copy it and keep it. Access to recordings is included in policy. DPS has it and uses it for criminal investigations. Others can request it from them under certain conditions. DPS doesn't monitor the tape regularly - only if there is an incident.
- Remember that this is not just about crimes. It can be about HR or other issues. May be used as an investigative tool.
- Quiel will circulate the latest iteration of the policy draft to faculty once received from Longworth
- Video Surveillance Policy Feedback – same as above
- CPR/AED Map October 25 and November 15 – Quiel will send to all faculty. Provost provided a building by building AED location.
- Distinguished faculty awards – Heather Neff has agreed to serve as chair of this committee. Quiel will notify Tornquist

G. Graduate Council (Francis)

- Student final work is often embargoed, but this period of time can be navigated to be shorter or longer.
- Looked at student handbook issues

- H. Results for the contested elections
 - UHSRC-CAS: Xianghong Feng
 - GEC-CAS: Solange Simoes
 - GEC-COB: Kunal Banerji
- VI. Provost Minutes
 - A. Volunteers for work groups on five topics – distributed at meeting. One Dean will be on each group, 9-10 members. McVey will work with Provost on this effort.
To volunteer, send interest to Quiel. Any faculty member is eligible. Quiel will send it out to all faculty. Volunteers are requested by early November.
 - B. Did this come out of the Strategic Planning Retreat?
 - To some extent, yes.
- VII. Announcements
- VIII. Adjournment Motion passed