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Faculty Council Minutes  
1/19/00  
Recorder: H. Ditzhazy

**PRESENT:** V. Okafor AFS, I. Beginin ART, S. Sonstein AHP, H. Zot BIOL, T. McDole BTE, T. Friebe CHEM, S. McCracken CTA, S. Haynes COSC, R. Sipe ENGL, I. Ahmad FCIS, B. Morgan FLABS, D. Nazzaro GEO/GEOL, J. Dieterle HIS/PHIL, G. Jogaratnam HECR, T. Doyle IDT, T. Tillman INTE. H. Ditzhazy L&C, W. Hogan LRT, R. Hill MGMT, D. Barton MKT/LAW, E. Szabo MUSC, L. Rankin NURS, J. Wooley PHY/AST, B. Pyle PLS, S. von Kluge PSY, M. Bombyk SWK, M. Beebe SPED, P. Daisey TED, T Green WMST.

**ABSENT:** ECON, HPERD, MATH, SAC.

**GUEST:** Michael Harris, Undergraduate Coordinator.

**ITEM I.** Call to Order. Meeting called to order at 3:04 p.m.

**ITEM II.** Approval of minutes of 12/1/99. Minutes of the 12/1/99 meeting were approved as presented.

**ITEM III.** Committee Reports. Thomas McDole: Discussion/Report. Faculty Representative for Head of Physical Plant. Four names have been forwarded for further consideration (from over 50 applications). Bette Warren: Report. Budget & Resources. FC members have been sent materials plus an ABBR report. These reports have been combined for a computer replacement proposal. We will be voting on these February 2. The materials handed out today include a scoring grid to be filled out by 2/2, *i.e.*, summaries of ABBRs faculty replacement proposal grid-pairwise voting. The total when you finish should be 45.

**ITEM IV. Guest:** Michael Harris, Undergraduate Coordinator. **Presentation:** Goals: develop and expand the academic undergraduate program, improve the quality of academic performance on campus, maximize academic experience of students. He will be a resource on undergraduate education from his knowledge of other institutions' programs and through communication with other divisions. EMU has been exploring F16 interest groups. Academic Affairs has been much more involved in the structure of AADV 177 and 179 than in the past. Academic Advising has also been impacted by his work. He would like FC to appoint a member to a new task force to work on understanding the input of the Degree Navigator on advising. Parents have been included in Orientation sessions on academics this year too. The goal in advising centers is to fill the gap between them and the departments.

**ITEM V. Action Item:** Completion of Coursework in Essential Competencies. We have not yet received the input of other Councils so this item will be put on hold until we receive those reports. **Discussion:** How implementation is to occur should be added to make this policy effective. In lieu of that, how will this be promoted.

**ITEM VI. Action Item:** University Calendar Adjustment 2002-2003. Comments from Ken Rusiniak: The committee reviewed all input. On balance the conclusion was to put a class on the Wednesday before finals. This will leave an equal number of meeting days for all classes. **Discussion:** Please spell out Memorial Day and 4th of July weekend days of class. Please also point out the last day of classes in the schedule book. **Action:** Revised Calendar 2002-2003 was approved as revised. 25 Yes, 2 Abstentions. Daryl Barton is interested in being on the Calendar Committee. A vote will be held at the next meeting.

**ITEM VII. Action Item:** Proposed revisions to EMU's Withdrawal Policy. Comments: Some procedures may be working at cross-purposes. The changes recommended here would ameliorate that problem. The point is that students who are going to withdraw need to withdraw earlier. An earlier deadline is recommended. There is an appeal process for hardships. **Discussion:** This revision takes care of part of the problem, but the whole grading process should be reviewed. Proposed revisions unanimously approved.

**ITEM VIII. Other Business.** Honors Program would like two people to serve on their advising council. Election to be held at the next FC meeting. Rebecca Sipe (ENGL) is willing to serve. Task Force for Degree Navigator: Steve Sonstein.

**ITEM IX. Announcements.** Owen Cargol, candidate for President will be on campus 1/20/00. Next week, Monday, Tuesday, and Friday three more candidates will be on campus.

**FCEB: 1/26/00, 3-5 p.m., Faculty Council Office, 104 Pierce.**

**FC: 2/2/00, 3-5 p.m., Tower Room, McKenny Union. Susan Moeller will be the presenter.**

Two meetings from now, George Johnston will be present.

**ITEM X. Adjournment.** The meeting was adjourned at 4:48 p.m.