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FACULTY COUNCIL  
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October 15, 2003  
Recorder: E. Broughton

- I. The meeting was called to order at 3:05 p.m.
- II. The Minutes of 10/1/03 were approved.
- III. **SPECIAL GUESTS: CAMPUS MASTER PLAN PRESENTATION.** A presentation was provided on the campus master plan. The planners are in Phase 2 and 3 of the preliminary phase. After the presentation, faculty members responded to the master plan. A concern was expressed that parking should be addressed as a major goal. A faculty member expressed concern regarding the location of a new science building (it should be a priority on a list of new buildings). Another faculty member expressed concern about all the teaching facilities on campus; however, the plan does not address academic buildings, such as Pray-Harrold. Steve Holder addressed this concern by stating that Pray-Harrold is the number one priority which will be sent to the state for capital funding. Another issue was the proposed location of a parking lot near Pease Auditorium. This was addressed by the master plan staff, and they indicated that there would be five new parking decks around central campus. The parking lot near Pease has been changed to a surface lot. Faculty expressed that academic buildings should take a higher priority for quality learning facilities in the campus master plan. A concern was that north and south campus was addressed, but more focus should be addressed for east and west campus. A faculty member commended that the planning process provided future guidance, rather than the University addressing new buildings in a haphazard way. Another Council member encouraged planning for a Fine Arts facility. Another faculty member predicted 2 items: (1) an increase of bicycle use and (2) alumni/elderly moving closer to campus. Are these items addressed in the plan? Another concern was whether the University police consulted on the master plan in terms of "opening" the campus and welcoming entrances. Another faculty member addressed whether the racquet/tennis facility is on the plan for purchasing. Faculty were encouraged to look at the master plan website ([www.emich.edu/masterplan](http://www.emich.edu/masterplan)), which is updated monthly.
- IV. **APPOINTMENTS.** (A) University Sabbatical Leaves Committee: Harash Sachdev, COB, Marketing; David Kass, CAS, Biology. These appointments were approved unanimously. (B) Judicial Boards: University Board: Marion Dokes-Brown, TED and Julia Nims, HALLE. These appointments were approved with 3 Abstentions. Judicial Appeals Board: Jill Dieterle, HIS/PHIL. This appointment was approved with 1 Abstention. (C) Public Safety Oversight Committee: Daryl Barton, MKT/LAW. This appointment was approved.

- V. **INTERCOLLEGIATE ATHLETIC COALITION.** Howard Bunsis attended the recent meeting of the Intercollegiate Athletic Coalition and will bring information to FC if need be. A motion to join this Coalition was passed unanimously.
- VI. **DISCUSSION ITEM.** Emeritus Faculty members serving as ex-officio member on FC standing committees. The discussion of this item included: (1) we already have open meetings and there is no need for ex-officio members; (2) great idea in principle; however, they already can serve; (3) some faculty thought that it would be a major mistake to include Emeritus Faculty; (4) there is appreciation for their contributions and they should be valued; (5) a statement should be made that we welcome input but not to make it a policy matter; (6) we need to respond to Emeritus Faculty members, respect them and seek input from them. (7) Encourage President Kirkpatrick to look at how their role could be supported; respond to the request, acknowledge request, and look to their advice in the future. Susan Haynes and Bob Grady will draft some statements for the FCEB to review and bring to Council.
- VII. **MISSION STATEMENT.** We would like faculty to look at the new emich website with the University statement versus the "Mission" statement.
- VIII. **COPYRIGHT POLICY.** FC should review to make comments at the next meeting. President McCracken will email another copy to Council members.
- IX. **OTHER POLICY ISSUES FOR FUTURE MEETINGS.** Sexual harassment, bookstore, General Education Reform report.
- X. **ADJOURNMENT** was at 4:50 p.m.

**PRESENT:** S. Moeller ACC, V. Okafor AFS, M. Ruggiero ART, S. Sonstein AHP, H. Zot BIOL, T. McDole BTE, T. Brewer CHEM, S. McCracken CTA, S. Haynes COSC, S. Erenburg ECON, J. Knapp ENGL, M. Zinggeler FLABS, J. Armstrong HPERD, K. Chamberlain HIS/PHIL D. Silverman HECR, C. Haddad INDT, G. Mitchell IT, E. Broughton L&C, R. Baier HALLE, D. Barton MKT, G. Ahlbrandt MATH, K. Cole MUSC, P. Alford NURS, J. Porter PHY/AST, B. Grady PLS, A. Westman PSY, R. Orrange SAC, L. Lee SPED, C. Burns TED, S. Norton WMST.

**ABSENT:** CIS, GEO/GEOL, MGMT, SWK.

**GUESTS:** Martha Tack, President's Office; Patricia Zimmer, Graduate Council; Steve Holder.