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Faculty Council Meeting
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February 18, 2004
Recorder: E. Broughton

- I. The meeting was called to order at 3:00pm.
- II. The minutes of 04-Feb-04 were approved with corrections. Attendance names to add for 1-21: Erenburg (ECON) and Silverman (HECR) were in attendance.
- III. By-Laws Committee
Discussion: Debi Silverman presented issues regarding the FC By-Laws: 1). Changing "Council" to "Senate" (perception) and 2). Authority of FC. Originally, FC was called Faculty Senate and then changed to Faculty Council under union contract. Pat Zimmer, Graduate Council, is raising issues regarding their function and roles. The Graduate Council is questioning their place in the input process, and possible overlap. The Faculty Council's role is input to the academic mission. The Faculty Senate approach may be to broaden this role. Need to look at improving our system by looking at other Senate structures within peer institutions. Provide feedback to faculty.council@emich.edu on this issue by March 3, 2004.
- IV. Faculty Issues
 - A. Budget Reports
 1. Debi Silverman provided a summary of the Instructional Budget Committee
 2. Alida Westman provided information on Cost Savings Committee.
 3. Reorganization Possibilities – Jeff Armstrong. The committee has just begun to discuss issues.
 4. Budget Steering Committee
 - a. EMU will follow the Governor's recommendation on state issues
 - b. Ohio students coming to EMU is still cheaper.
 - c. Problem with students not paying fees
 - d. Faculty Searches – 28 searches are going through, 12 slowed down, 10 positions were identified by Deans to postpone.
 - e. In April, there will be 47 faculty member searches for 2005.
 5. Tenure Track
When will we know how many positions will be available or unavailable? It is constantly changing.
 6. Other Budgets Reduction
What is meant by "less lighting". Relative to implementation, e.g. lighting is a mixed issue.
 - B. Textbook List
 1. Need to develop an implementation committee of 3-4 faculty members that will serve to organize procedures for a textbook list. The issue started with the campus bookstore and distributing books to athletes.

C. Gen Ed Reform Timeline

1. March 3rd will be the meeting date to discuss.
2. Get info reviewed and organized for constructive/relevant discussions.
3. Daryl Barton suggested that if something is needed to be added or removed, need rationale to defend. Relayed a conversation with Marty Schictman that 40 credit hours is a desirable target.
4. Faculty Council will be organizing input.
5. NSSE (National Survey of Student Engagement) data will be considered as to how it relates to final content of Gen Ed reform.
6. Daryl Barton will discuss the ability of Faculty Council to see NSSE data. Implementation target is F05 or W06.

D. Please use Faculty Council email to review: faculty.council@emich.edu

V. Guests

A. David Clifford and Dawn Malone

Discussion: David Clifford provided an overview of Continuing Education. He provided a handout on the services, decision-making and program development and compensation of faculty. According to CE data, students having more choices in terms of class location are taking more classes per term.

VI. Meeting adjourned at 5:04pm.

Present: 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; I Ahmad, CIS; M Zinggeler, FLABS; C Mayda, GEO/GEOLOG; J Armstrong, HPERD; K Chamberlain, HIS/PHIL; D Silverman, HECR; C Haddad, INDT; G Mitchell, IT; E Broughton, L&C; R Baier, HALLE; R Hill, MGMT; D Barton, MKT; G Ahlbrandt, MATH; V Benitez, MUSC; P Alford, NURS; J Porter, PHY/AST; B Grady, PLS; A Wesman, PSY; M Wedenoja, SWK; L Lee, SPED; C Burns, TED; P Zimmer, Grad Council; R Vanderveide **Absent:** ACC, AFS, SAC, WMST, Martha Tack.