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APPROVED Faculty Senate Meeting - May 21, 2014
3:00-5:00, SC 310A

(Attendance: M. Rahman (A&F), D. Pancioli (Art), J. Eisenbach (Bio), D. Chou (CIS), Z. Bahorski (CS), S. Hayworth (Econ), A. Eydgahi (Eng Tech), K. Woodiel (HPHP), M. Bluhm (HS), J. Koolage (H&P), P. Francis (L&C), M. Barnes (Lib), K. Banerji (Mgmt), D. Barton (M&L), P. Koehn (Phys), J. Kullberg (PS), R. Orrange (SAC), P. Majeske (Tech Std), A. Coykendall (WGST), M. Millan (WL), R. Flowers (Grad Std), K. Rusiniak (Psych), D. Miller (Std Gov), K. Schatzel (Provost))

1. Agenda approval – unanimous
2. Approval of minutes of 4/16/2014 meeting – passed, 2 abstaining, none opposed
3. Committee Reports
   a. Academic Issues
      (i) Global Engagement Council Plan (Judith Kulberg)
         • There appears to be no money for the GEC
         • A plan for the next couple years has been formulated
         • Some disappointment expressed that it didn’t sound like there was overwhelming support for this project
         • Provost Response:
            a. we’re evaluating the proposal, no signal is being issued regarding the ongoing GEC plan, etc.
            b. There is no funding in the current budget (2013-2014 is allocated) – the plan will be evaluated for 2014-2015
            c. Some additional discussion of the reallocation process, and how budgeting is done in Academic Affairs
      (ii) General Education Review Committee (John Koolage)
         • Program Review model adopted, information gathering ongoing, a faculty questionnaire will be part of the review
   b. Institutional Issues: LMS Selection Committee (Daryl Barton)
      • Recommendation has gone forward to the Provost
      • Implementation Committee has been recommend, one that has Faculty on it; FSEB will be following up on this idea
      • A pilot program may occur in the Fall for the support staff, and a Faculty pilot will not occur until the Winter of 2015, with full implementation in June of 2015
      • Migration to the new system remains the biggest concern among Faculty
      • Provost Response: CANVAS was selected, and an Implementation Committee will be formed, as suggested
   c. Technology Issues: Computer Refresh (Zenia Bahorski)
      • No news
d. Student Issues: Vice President for Student Affairs (Perry Francis)
   • After an extensive search, EMU has hired Calvin Phillips; he will begin next month
   • He will be invited to a Senate meeting early in the Fall

   e. Senate Budget & Resources Committee (Sandy Norton)
   • Charter approved, with 2 abstaining and none opposed
   • See attached

4. [3:50] Committee appointments
   a. Elections of new Faculty Senate officers for 2014-15
      (a) Vice-President: Perry Francis – elected
      (b) Secretary: Minnie Bluhm – acclamation
      (c) Membership Coordinator: Patrick Koehn – acclamation

   b. Election of committee representatives for 2014-15 (if a name appears they were elected)
      • Academic IT – D. Chou (COB), needs 1 from CAS
      • BOR – needs 1 from any college
      • Computer Refresh – needs 1 from COT, COE, Lib
      • E-Fellows – D. Albright (COB), A. Eydgahi (COT, needs 1 from CAS, and 3 alts
      • EE and Facilities Committee – A. Eydgahi (COT)
      • FDC Advisory – Suzanne Gray (Lib) needs 1 from CAS Science, and 2 alts
      • Gen Ed Evaluation/Assessment – J. McEnery (COB), needs 1 from CHHS
      • Gen Ed Review Committee – needs COB and 2 alts
      • Intercollegiate Athletics Advisory – R. Flowers (COE), need 1 CAS (until 2016)
      • Library Advisory – J. Kaufmann (CAS)
      • Parking Committee – L. Kolopajlo (CAS)
      • Public Safety Oversight – A. Eydgahi (COT)

5. Potential FERPA violation
   • Discussion of an email with names of students who had been dismissed seems to have been “rather widely” distributed
   • The main point of discussion was regarding the response to concerns that this email may constitute a violation of FERPA
   • There is an email record of the response and the initial email, but circulating it would be an additional potential violation of FERPA

6. Provost’s remarks
   • FDC will be reporting to Jeff Kentor (ORD and Graduate School), rather than Jim Carroll (Finance and Tech)
   • CANVAS is the LMS recommendation, see above
• Associate VP for Student Affairs (see above); there will be a full reception for him in the Fall
• Ribbon cutting at the Simulation Lab at St. Joseph’s – this partnership has been extremely beneficial
• Some discussion of the PA program
• Capital Projects Comments
  a. There is no master plan for the campus, which inhibits some
  b. Warner and Rackham are noted in our capital projects for the coming year(s)
  c. Some discussion of satellite sites, and related capital projects
• Question from FS: Tobacco Free Campus and HR?
  a. Provost will contact HR about this to see where this plan stands
• Question from FS: Grad School is not communicating well about changes to standards and procedures? E.g. change to thesis approval to require the Dean to sign off on theses.
• Question from FS re: above FERPA concern?
  a. Provost will investigate
• Question from FS re: new hire committee?
  a. Some interesting discussion about processes going forward with this committee
• Question from FS re: Title IX issues?
  a. Provost will follow up on earlier discussion

7. President’s remarks

8. Adjournment

The next Faculty Senate meeting will be held in SC room 310A on June 18, 2014. The next Faculty Senate Executive Board meeting will be held in room SC room 302 on June 11, 2014.