Faculty Council Minutes, February 7, 2007

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Eastern Michigan University

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I. Call to order  
The meeting was called to order at 3:10.

II. Approval of the Agenda and the Minutes of January 17, 2007  
The agenda and minutes were approved. One correction was made to the minutes. Elizabeth Broughton is the Athletic Faculty Representative and not a compliance officer.

III. Guest: Sara Wilchowski – University Faculty Council Scholarship Recipient  
Daryl Barton read the application to indicate why this student is deserving. She is one of Shell Levine’s students, and he handed her a large representation of the check.

Alida Westman indicated that many of the applicants had been very worthy of the award and that she hopes that the faculty will contribute money for this very worthwhile cause.

IV. Athletic Department Compliance Office: Melody Reifel Werner and Michael Paciorek  
Points presented during the presentation include the following.

- There are a large number of NCAA rules, and universities are expected to regulate themselves. Violations lead to very costly consequences, such as fines, censures, loss of scholarships, etc.
- In general, ask before acting, in order to avoid problems.
- Student athletes are entitled only to such services and engagements as are available to all students in the class or program. All other benefits must be incidental to their participation in athletics.
- Faculty may recruit for EMU, but not for the athletic department. Faculty can help by meeting students on campus when they come for a visit.
- Feel very free to come out to practices; come to games.
- EMU has to comply with MAC rules also.
- Student athletes must meet very rigid scholarship and eligibility rules, make steady and adequate progress toward their degree, and again there are significant consequences if these conditions are not met.
- There are approximately 625 athletes at the beginning of the academic year, and due to drop outs and cuts, about 525 at the end of the academic year. Approximately 300 receive a partial or full scholarship.

V. Guests: ICT – Connie Schaffer and Bill Shell  
Controlling the cost of printing is a significant issue. Approximately 17,000 different students use the labs. Approximately 80% of the students print fewer than 300 pages/term, but approximately 10% of the students print approximately 48% of the pages printed out each term. ICT would like to send a questionnaire to each user to find out what they are printing.
Comments included the following.

- It is best to treat the 10% who print the 48% of the pages as a special group for the research and the Human Subjects Review Committee, because they are the ones whose printing behavior needs to be clarified, and they are the ones who may be less likely to respond to a general questionnaire. These individuals can be defined as a group and only group data be made available, so that issues of privacy are addressed. The questionnaire and methodology needs to be approved by the Human Subjects Review Committee.
- The copying raises questions of copyright violations.
- Faculty send their lecture outlines and power-point presentations to students in electronic format, instead of handing them out hard copy, and students print them out, thereby increasing the number of pages printed.
- Students need to learn to use materials without printing them out.
- Students may not know how to print out multiple power-point slides on one page, and this could be shown to them.
- This whole issue has been brought to University Faculty Council before, and it is time to get ready for implementation of a page limit with a modest fee for printing more pages than the page limit.
- For further questions and comments, please contact william.shell@emich.edu.
- ICT would like to know from departments what their needs are.

VI. Campus Updates

A. Search Committee – VP for Enrollment Management
The search is moving ahead.

B. Committees of the Board of Regents – Daryl Barton
Regent Sidlick, BoR Chair, asked for input on who should chair the Educational Policies and the Faculty Affairs Committees
Appointed were the following.
Faculty Affairs Committee:  T. Sidlick, chair, and G. Hawks, vice-chair.
Educational Policies Committee:  I. Ahmed, chair, and F. Parker, vice-chair.

C. Physical Plant – Don Loppnow reported the following.
The VP for Business and Finance, Janice Stroh, has arranged for new leadership at the physical plant.  Don Loppnow mentioned that the Plante & Moran report concerning EMU’s physical plant indicated that EMU is not positioned to engage in capital projects.  Two big projects need to be completed:  the science complex and the renovation of Pray-Harrold.  Plante & Moran is the interim leader of physical plant as the search for new leadership takes place.  The possibility of conflict of interest by Plante & Moran has been noted.

D. Academic Facilities – Matt Evett
The project to provide better furniture and infrastructure is moving forward.  All of the requests for materials, such as CDs, maps, etc., were granted if they were received.  There is a concern that some of the requests were not received.  Further, some of the recipients indicated that their administrators have indicated to them that their requests were funded for only 80%, even though Matt Evett reports that everything was funded for 100%.  This needs to be investigated further.
VII. Discussion: History & Philosophy Department Concern  
University Faculty Council discussed this in Executive Session.

IX. Future Meetings and Locations.  
A. The Ninth UFC meeting for the 2006-2007 Academic Year will be held on February 21, 2007, 3 to 5 p.m. on the third floor of the Student Center.  
B. The Eighth UFC Executive Board meeting will be held on February 14, 2007, in the University Faculty Council office.  
C. Please make sure that you read your e-mail regularly. It is the primary method of communication regarding upcoming Faculty Council meetings and announcements. Please reduce your accumulated e-mail; otherwise, OVERQUOTA will appear, and you will not receive current materials.  
D. University Faculty Council minutes, documents, committee reports, etc., are now posted on the website, www.emich.edu/facultycouncil

X. Adjournment  
The meeting adjourned at 4:55 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Alida Westman

Present: M. Rahman (ACC); V. Okafor (AFS); M. Reedy (ART); G. Hannan (BIOL); R. Nord (CHEM); S. McCracken (CTA); P. Sanchez (CIS); M. Evett (COSC); J. Rice (ECON); J. Texter (ENGIN TECH); M. Zinggeler (FLABS); S. Rutherford (GEO/GEOL); D. Clifford (HEALTH SCI); S. Levine (HPHP); L. Watson (HIS/PHIL); E. Broughton (L & C); L. Klopfer (Library); K. Banerji (MGMT); D. Barton (MKT); J. R. Smith (MUS/DANCE); E. Behringer (PHY/AST); A. Lottie (PLS); A. Westman (PSY); M. Bombyk (SWK); R. Orrange (SAC); L. Lee (SPED); P. Williams-Boyd (TED); P. Becker (TECH STUDIES); S. Norton (WMST)  
Ex-Officio: D. Loppnow (PROVOST & V.P. FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS)  
Guests: C. Schaffer (ICT); W. Shell (ICT); M. Reifel Werner and M. Paciorek (ATHLETIC COMPLIANCE OFFICE); D. Wong (GRADUATE COUNCIL); M. Higbee (HIS/PHIL)  
Absent: ENG; MATH; NURS