

MUW Faculty Senate
October 26, 2012

Members Present: Royal Toy, Beverly Joyce, for Janice Giallourakis, Youn Mi Lee, Paul Mack, Joshua Oubre, Jiben Roy, Nancy Wheeley, Adrian Sligh (for Clara Rustin), Terri Hamill, Marie Byrne, David Carter, Bryan Hillard, Barry Smith, Randall Foxworth

Members Absent: Rick Montalto, Kimberly Dorsey, Andrew Luccasen

1. Call to order: The meeting was called to order at 12:15 in Stark 101.

2. Approval of minutes: Janice Giallourakis noted a mistake in the minutes—in item 4a. the “recent United Way drive” should be changed to “Foundation” drive. After minutes from the August 24, 2012 meeting were reviewed, Paul Mack motioned to approve them as amended. Barry Smith seconded the motion. The Senate voted unanimously to approve the minutes.

3. Guest – President Borsig

Dr. Borsig came to Faculty Senate to update the faculty on the status of IHL’s revision of allocation formula. IHL is still in the process of gathering information from all of the public universities. An outside company from Denver has been hired to assess each university on its mission and place within the IHL system. They will make recommendations to IHL, probably in January, as to how to break down the allocations. Borsig is not sure when we will find out where we stand in this mix, but he is optimistic that we can align ourselves with whatever reward system IHL may choose.

Dr. Borsig also noted that the tuition waivers will be marketed for January. He mentioned the university’s intention to grow nursing, the need for online courses, and the need for more residence halls, particularly one dedicated to honors students (more than Grossnickle). The university telefund is up 63% year to date.

4. Requests for funding: There were no requests for Fund A, which is depleted anyway. Fund B, which is geared toward course development, is still fully funded.

5. Updates

a. Administrative Council: This month’s meeting was very brief; just brief updates and the approval of the title change for PS #3515.

b. Academic Council: The major item is that MUW’s requirement for entering GPAs of transfer students will have to change to mirror IHL’s requirement of 2.0 in the core curriculum (only).

c. PIE Council: The major item at this meeting was that Marty Hatton introduced a new flow chart for the SMART and ACTION assessments; this was approved by PIE Council.

d. Monthly Meeting with the President: In addition to the material covered by Dr. Borsig at Faculty Senate, the following information was covered:

- Plans are in the works for the University President’s inauguration, and faculty will be required to wear regalia (the university is investigating ways to cover the rental costs)
- There are two positions for faculty support being written—for technology associated with Blackboard

- The university website continues to be improved and the calendar and search tool will be included in a later release.
- Productivity reviews were discussed with a mention of the possibility of a routine program review across campus
- The issues involved with the Meridian nursing program are soon to be resolved.

6. Old Business

Faculty either volunteered for (or were assigned to) the following subcommittees to report at the November meeting:

- Academic Dishonesty Policy: Randall Foxworth, Janice Giallourakis, Josh Oubre
 - This is to review the current policy/practices and make recommendations for any changes (examine undergraduate handbook, grievance committee, appeals committee, and any other relevant documentation).
- New Faculty Orientation: Andrew Luccasen, Kimberly Dorsey, Youn Mi Lee
 - This is to make recommendations for meaningful university-wide orientation (this should be general in scope and relate to operations / activities / or general university issues). Specific information can be taken care of in individual colleges and / or departments.
- Evaluation of Department Chairs: Beverly Joyce, Theresa Hamill, Marie Byrne, Nancy Wheeley
 - This is to determine if PS#6705 may be amended to include department chairs or if a new policy needs to be written. The language of any revisions or new policy will be proposed.

7. New Business

a. Policy Reviews:

- PS #3508: One change was proposed; in #2, “Director of the Library” be changed to “Dean of Library Services.” The practice outlined in #6b was changed as the committee does not verify the program requirements, this is the duty of the Dean of the college submitting the proposal. The review dates also need to be checked. Janice Giallourakis motioned to accept the policy with modifications and Paul Mack seconded the motion. The policy was accepted by the Senate with changes.
- PS #3518: Editorial changes were made to the policy to update the wording. The review date was questioned and needs to be checked/updated. Randall Foxworth motioned to accept the changes in the policy, and Paul Mack seconded the motion. The policy was accepted by the Senate.
- PS #3520: Janice Giallourakis motioned to accept the changes in the policy, and Nancy Wheeley seconded the motion. The policy was accepted by the Senate.

b. Other: David Carter reminded everyone about the theatre production “Night of the Living Dead.”

8. Announcements: Next meeting on November 30 at 12:15 pm in Stark 101.

9. Adjournment: The meeting was adjourned at 1:27 pm.