

**MUW**  
**FACULTY SENATE**

February 10, 2017

Cromwell 240

Members Present: Lee Crouse, Steven McCorkle, Ashley Chisolm, Cathy Smith, Youn Mi Lee, Michael Calvery, Ian Childers, Tammy Bolton, Michelle Harmon, Jonathon Hooks, Alona Lester for Carey McCarter, Chrystal Hodges, Bobby Fugitt, Mary Helen Hawkins, Valentin Bogdan, and Nicole Welch.

President Lee Crouse called the meeting to order at 12:15 p.m.

Cathy Smith made a motion to approve the February Faculty Senate meeting minutes with recommend changes under the committee reports section. Steven McCorkle seconded the motion. The November Faculty Senate minutes were approved with those minor changes.

President Crouse welcomed Sirena Cantrell (Dean of Student Life) and Dayla Rath to the meeting. Sirena and Dayla wanted to communicate with faculty about campus events and asked for suggestions on the best way to facilitate that communication. There was a recommendation that the Office of Student Life send out a campus events calendar to faculty each month.

**Committee Reports:**

Administrative Council Report –Lee

There was conversation about social organizations on campus and the allegations of hazing. There was discussion about academics coming first at the university and not a student’s social club organizations. If faculty notice students leaving their classes because of required social club events, please report it.

Per the current budget situation, please refer to the recent letter released by Dr. Borsig. The state legislature reported \$25 million under what they thought they would receive. There will likely be another budget cut this year. In lieu of this, the 2018 budget will not be planned until the end of April.

Monthly Meeting with the President- Lee

Dr. Borsig was pleased to report that The W is up once again in recruitment and retention numbers. Additionally, W Athletics should bring in 100 new students for the Fall 2017 semester.

As for international student recruitment, there are good numbers applying to attend the university. The number is actually up since the new policies have been implemented. The new policies have not deterred individuals from applying.

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Academic Council – Steven

There will be upcoming programmatic changes to suspend the Art Education and Social Sciences programs. There are likely more programmatic changes coming in a few years.

Please encourage your faculty and students to attend the IIC event to be held on The W campus February 23-24. The event is free but please register on the main webpage for the university. This is a wonderful opportunity for all students interested in any healthcare position.

PIE Council- Ashley

PIE Council reviewed the Academic and Non-Academic Strategic Priorities and Goals Reports.

**Unfinished Business:**

As for the PERS/ORP proposition that was discussed at the February meeting, President Crouse confirmed with both Melanie Freeman and Nora Miller that there had been a similar proposition before and the proposition never moved forward.

The Faculty Senate Housing Committee will be going back to work on the university housing policies since they were declined for further review. The housing committee will collaborate with staff council and SGA. We are looking for an additional person to serve on the committee (preferably an individual who lives in university housing).

**New Business:**

Funding Requests:

Fund A has been depleted. Any further requests will be reviewed by the faculty senate committee and then forwarded to the Provost.

Fund B has a deadline of November 1<sup>st</sup>. There are still funds remaining in Fund B.

**Policy Reviews:**

PS 1309 – Steven McCorkle made a motion to approve PS 1309 with the recommendation that it be edited for grammar and structure. Crystal Hodges seconded the motion. The motion passed.

PS 3503- This policy was tabled until the March Faculty Senate meeting. One senator, who is on IRB, said there might be a proposed #7 for the policy regarding student training. If this is the case, will that be added in the current proposed version, or would any change along those lines be added at a later date?

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PS 3507 – Steven McCorkle made a motion to approve PS 3507. Ian Childers seconded the motion. The motion passed.

PS 3527 – This policy statement was tabled until the March meeting for further information.

PS 3528 - This policy statement was tabled until the March meeting for further information. The senate wanted clarification of the 2<sup>nd</sup> sentence of point #4. They wanted more information on what the role of the FAC would be as the Tenure Committee, and if a Tenure committee member would serve on the FAC as a voting member?

President Crouse adjourned the meeting at 1:28p.m.