MUW FACULTY SENATE

April 21, 2017 Cromwell 240

Members Present: Lee Crouse, Steven McCorkle, Ashley Chisolm, Cathy Smith, Youn Mi Lee, Michael Calvery, Ian Childers, Tammy Bolton, Jonathon Hooks, Sueanne Davidson for Carey McCarter, Melissa Smith, Chrystal Hodges, Mary Helen Hawkins, and Nicole Welch.

President Lee Crouse called the meeting to order at 12:16 p.m.

President Crouse turned the floor to Nora Miller who gave a budget presentation to the senators. She went through the Finance Committee PowerPoint from the April meeting. She discussed Board Policy 713: Institutional Financial Stability in addition to the allocation of FY18 appropriations. Additionally, there was mention that for FY 18 the university will be using zero based budgeting, and each academic and non-academic unit will be doing budget requests and all requests must be tied into the university priorities.

President Crouse welcomed the following new senators to Faculty Senate: Dorothy Berglund, James Terry Todd, and Thomas Haffey.

Steven McCorkle made a motion to approve the March minutes. Carey McCarter seconded the motion. The March Faculty Senate minutes were approved.

Committee Reports:

Administrative Council Report – Lee

The focus of the meeting was on the budget concerns for the upcoming year.

Academic Council Report- Steven

The focus of the meeting was on assessment plans and the budget situation. Nora Miller gave a budget presentation to the Council. Additionally, with the budget concerns, there will be no Maymester overloads. There was a report that even with the current budget situation no filled faculty cuts had occurred at this point.

Dr. Richardson reported on the Chief Academic Officer/IHL Board meeting.

PIE- Ashley

PIE met to make the budge recommendations for the upcoming year. The recommendations remained the same as the last few years, with a sustainable business model being the first priority.

Meeting with the President-Lee

There was discussion of a tuition increase at IHL for the following year to help cover some of the loss from the budget allocations for the upcoming year.

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Unfinished Business:

Faculty Housing Committee

Faculty Senate is still waiting on a response from staff council about joining efforts in reworking the housing policies.

New Business:

Constitutional Review

The Executive Committee introduced the idea of reviewing and making changes to the current Faculty Senate Constitution to ensure that it complies with the current College structure. President Crouse opened the floor to discussion on whether the senators would like for Executive Committee to act as the review board or to create an additional subcommittee to handle the review. Melissa Smith made a motion for Executive Committee to act as the review committee for the FS Constitution. Cathy Smith seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

Athletic Advisory Committee

Vice-President McCorkle discussed the idea of reintroducing the old Athletic Advisory Committee policy with the senators. With athletics beginning in the fall semester, the decision was reached to table the discussion until then.

Elections for Senate Executive Committee:

Elections for the 2017-2018 Executive Committee were held.

The 2016-2017 Faculty Executive Committee is:

President: Lee Crouse

Vice-President: Ashley Chisolm Secretary: Steven McCorkle

Other:

President Lee Crouse adjourned the meeting at 1:15p.m.