FACULTY SENATE MINUTES (Prepared by Steve Severn)

DATE March 23, 2012 LOCATION JBK Room 11

Members Present

Alex Ambrose Anwar Bartlett Bigham Byrd

Crandall (sub Von Lintel) Drumheller Jafar Johnson Kuennen Loftin

Parr-Scanlin Rosa Severn Ward (sub Babitzke) Wilson

Meeting called to order @ 12:30 (Byrd)

TOPIC 1 Revisions of and Approval to Minutes from Previous Meeting

Suggested revisions to minutes

Page 1

Dropbox.com added more IP addresses Dropbox.com started without IT's knowledge Delete third sentence Drumheller said original problem was brought to

Page 2

Delete sentence "A system CIO may be preferred by..."

To review for problems and suggestions

Drumheller suggested that students can use cloud services to share documents

CISCO (not Cysc0

Delete centralization from 1st sentence in 5th paragraph

Page 3

Third sentence under ombuds: Dr O'Brien will be

Allegations

Motion to Approve (Anwar)
Second (Parr-Scanlin)
Approval (Unanimous)

TOPIC 2 Nominations for Regent's Professor

Byrd Reviewed reference material, last year's successful candidate, workload/need to

coordinate w/candidate

Babitzke Has previous experience as the chair for the first selection process

Hard part – Get individuals identified early. Individuals leave for summer. Low

response rate.

Target – Finish by graduation Echoed need for quick process

Senate's part – Establish short list so candidates can be contacted. Speed

through intermediate steps before sending application for admin

approval

Nominations invited (Byrd)

Byrd

Ambrose Invited to nominate Anwar

Anwar Feels nomination is a major conflict of interest

Honored for nomination Declined nomination

Rosa Should another body be handling nominations?

Byrd Respects Anwar's comments

Fac Sen is as representative of faculty that you can get Another time will come for Anwar once he leaves Senate

Anwar Killgore Research Committee has rule prohibiting members from applying Bebitzke In previous years, each Senator went back to Dept and asked faculty for

nominations

Canvassing provided list that Senate then chose from

Byrd Current process is a more generic version of the one described by Bebitzke

Hesitant because of timetable to do another list

Drumheller How do we know who is eligible?

Rosa University Fact Book lists faculty information

Drumheller Information would have been useful

Hanson is only possible candidate in Comm

Severn Do Fac Sen have to nominate a candidate?

Rosa In the past there were times when we did not put forth nominees

Byrd Not putting forward is not first option but it is an option

Drumheller Hanson was put forward before

Byrd Last year, nominees declined process

First – Verify nominees are qualifies Second – Check with candidates Could not bring someone forward

Could delay cycle

Has someone to put forward – does not want to be only candidate

Bigham Need to put someone forward – representing WT

Two possible individuals in dept – neither wants to do it

Anderson Wait for one meeting Anwar Calvi as a possibility

Byrd Has duties as Associate Dean

Rosa Does not meet full-time faculty requirement

Landram Need to put forward a name

Willing to hear Byrd's suggestion

Byrd Doctor Beckley – Has already prepared paperwork

Not selected to move forward

Landram Nominates Beckley Rosa Allow for a week

Byrd Will get list of possible professors from Kelley

Senators will review from list and provide nominees

Nominees do not have to come from own dept.

Drumheller Likes idea of looking at list

Motion Move accept Landram nomination of Beckley. Leave nominations open until next

meeting (Severn)

Second (Anwar)
Vote (Unanimous)

Byrd Keep nomination of Beckley and other nominations confidential

TOPIC 3 Fostering Greater Participation Among Faculty for Administrator Evaluations

Adhoc committee members:

- Ambrose
- Alex
- Anwar
- Byrd
- Landram
- Rosa

Topic 4 Parking

Byrd Was told that Parking Committee had already met

Committee has moved forward with open parking recommendation for "open

parking"

Initial polling gets mixed reviews

Of all the WT employees, I maintain that faculty are the only group who are

discriminated against because of schedule

I get in at 10 and get out at 10

Going to open parking is not IMHO going in the right direction

One more item where faculty are losing position at WT

Would like to suggest to Parking Committee and Gary Barnes another

recommendation

Landram What happened a few years ago with Blue / Green parking?

Byrd If upper management has partitioned parking, faculty should have partitioned

parking?

Johnson Spots will be filled by students forever

Anwar Have a Fac Sen member sit on Parking Committee

Drumheller Does not want open parking. Does not want division between faculty and staff

Byrd Faculty members who were on Parking Committee did not want to come to Fac

Senate

There is a time issue. Gary Barnes has proposal in-hand to forward.

Motion Send note to Parking Committee expressing FacSen concerns and asking to hold

off on action

Informal approval

TOPIC 5 Next meeting on Good Friday

Byrd Meeting is a bad day but we need the time

Meeting was agreed upon previously
If you cannot make meeting, send proxy

Ambrose Send me names for committee nominations. I will nominate for you

Meeting adjourned

These minutes were approved on 6 April 2012.