Minutes of Faculty Senate November 6, 2015

Present: Stuntz, Branson, Fiaud, Ambrose, Alex, Blodgett, Commissiong, Craig, Crandall, DeButte, DeOtte, Dursun-Kilic, Hartin, Hindman, King, Klaehn, Lust, Nam, Osei-Hwere, Ottoson, Shao.

Absent: Baker, Combs, Lee, Meredith, Howard.

Meeting called to order at 12:15pm in Room 14 (Eternal Flame) of the Jack B. Kelley Student Center.

- 1. Minutes approved
 - a. Approved unanimously
- 2. Old business
 - b. Report from Constitutional Committee

 No news.
 - c. Piper professor nominations
 - i. Anne Macy Information.
 - ii. Move to approve the motion "Anna Macy as a candidate for the Piper professor nomination".
 - 1. 2 abstentions; motion approved
 - d. Report from Concealed Carry Task Force
 - i. 3 towns meetings, a webinar, a few other meetings.
 - ii. Grievance places, Fine Arts, Mary Moody, counseling center were considered on the list but not added.
 - iii. If anyone wants to provide more discussion or input regarding the subject, contact Dr. Stuntz or Mike Knox.
 - iv. No lockers anywhere on campus but rather signage.
 - e. Other:
 - i. None

3. New Business

- a. Add Associate Provost to Administrators that faculty evaluate
 - a. Motion to add Associate provost
 - b. Discussion: how much interaction does the faculty really have with the associate provost position? Associate determined to have a significant amount of interaction with the faculty (emails, activities, ...)
 - c. Concerns about how to perform evaluations. Maybe look into Survey Monkey?
 - d. 2 abstentions, all others in favor. Motion passed.
- b. Foundation Faculty Development Grants
 - a. Motion" move that faculty senate president talk to the foundation to find out the process for grant approval"
 - b. Motion moved unanimously.

c. Other?

- a. Faculty member of the Month? Looking at the staff of the month award. Discussion on whether we need such an award or not. Not necessarily a bad idea but more thought into the implementation.
- b. Excellence Award question.
 - i. Who can nominate? Faculty cannot nominate themselves. Is there a uniform process? Part of the annual review of performance.
- c. Evaluation process for faculty
 - i. Concern about questions; does faculty have access to them: yes, there is a way to look at them.
 - ii. Issue with extra credit. Concern of bias introduction.

4. Announcements

- a. Talk to faculty about getting faculty development leave application.
- b. Student got hit on 4th street. What can the university do about it?
- c. Issues with facilities management SSE? Gather information about them.

The meeting of Faculty Senate was adjourned at 1:19 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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Vanessa A. Fiaud, Secretary