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IUPUC Faculty Senate Minutes
Friday, October 17, 2008
CC176

SENATORS ATTENDING: Eugenia Badger, Susie Blizard, Chris Brandon, Terry Dibble, Barbara Hass-Jacobus, Ramona Henderson, Allison Howland, Fredericka Joyner, Ann Styron, Laura Lee Wetzel, Chris Walcott

NOT ATTENDING: Tom Clerkin, Theresa Bruno, Dan Rusu, Steven Schmidt, Lisa Siefker Bailey,

Other Attendees: Kate Baird (presiding officer), Jay Howard, Larita Killian, Georgia Miller, Joan Poulsen

Kate Baird called the meeting to order at 9:32 am.

The agenda was approved by the Senators.

Approval of Minutes

K. Baird

- L. Wetzel motioned to accept the September 19, 2008 Faculty Senate Minutes; 2 nd by C. Brandon and approved by consensus, with the following change: correct the spelling of L. Killian’s name in the attendance list.

Vice Chancellor and Dean Report

J. Howard

- IUPUI Executive Vice Chancellor and Dean of the Faculties, Uday Sukhatme, will visit IUPUC on November 14, 2008, 10:30 am, to talk about the RISE initiative. Faculty attendance is mandatory.
- The cost of student textbooks is an ongoing issue that is being discussed within the IU system. Howard encourages faculty to:
  - Consider the cost of textbooks when choosing which ones to adopt; if texts are of equivalent instructional value, choose the cheaper option.
  - Not require textbooks that are not well-utilized in the course.
  - Weigh all options before deciding to bundle books; students have a more difficult time purchasing used textbooks when they are sold in bundles in the bookstore.
  - Discuss this issue within each Division.
- Items of note from IU President McRobbie
  - Creating an honors college at IUPUI
  - Building a science and engineering teaching lab building at IUPUI
  - Monitoring the fiscal health of the University
- IU is preparing an integrated technologies strategic plan; the committee’s next step will be to visit each campus and ask for feedback. The date for an IUPUC visit is yet to be determined.
- Faculty Annual Reports are due in January. Divisions at IUPUC are using different forms, depending on which form the sister department at IUPUI will be using.

Faculty President Report

K. Baird

- Joan Poulsen has agreed to replace Aija Pocock as the chair of the Academic Affairs committee.
- The Grievance Board has elected Steven Schmidt as its chair.
- An alternate adjunct representative has been identified.
- Two at-large Senators are still needed.
- S. Blizard inquired about roles of adjunct faculty within Senate beyond representation at Senate; there are no additional roles listed in the Constitution and Bylaws. If the adjuncts wish to have a more active role in something, talk to K. Baird about bringing the request before Faculty Senate.
Committee Reports

Executive

- Set the agenda for today’s Faculty Senate meeting.
- Chairs of boards and ad hoc committees have been invited to attend the Executive Committee meeting if there are items that need to be reported to the Faculty Senate.

Academic Affairs

- October meeting cancelled; no report.

Faculty Affairs

- No report.

Budgetary and Resources Policy

- No new items to report.

Student Affairs

- The committee asked that the Senate endorse a Freshman Honors Society, Alpha Lambda Delta, as described in an email sent to Senators by Kenn Amberger October 14, 2008. E. Badger made the motion to endorse; the motion was seconded by S. Blizard and carried by unanimous vote of the Senators.
- Working on a statement regarding emergency policies that can be included in course syllabi to better communicate emergency procedures to the student body.

Constitution and Bylaws

- No report.

Nominations Committee

- No report.

Old Business

- None

New Business

- None

Announcements

- L. Wetzel reported that the printing issue in the LC faculty lounge has been resolved; Bill Fields is writing instructions on how to pause the printing of large jobs so that short jobs can be printed.
- IUPUC Staff Council is sponsoring a holiday food drive for Love Chapel. The goal is to raise enough food and money for 100 meals.
- Numerous IUPUC-sponsored presentations will be held next week. Faculty are encouraged to attend these presentations when schedules allow.

Adjournment

- The meeting was adjourned at 10:04 am.

Next Meeting
Friday, November 21, 2008
9:30 - 11:00 AM
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