SENATORS ATTENDING: Rebecca Bartlett, Chris Brandon, Tom Clerkin, Terry Dibble, Emily Dill, Sam Forster, Doug Gardner, Allison Howland, Ilknur Kelceoglu, Larita Killian, Dan Rusu, Steven Schmidt, Laura Lee Wetzel, Kathy Wills

NOT ATTENDING: Barbara Hass-Jacobus, Beth Sharer

Other Attendees: Delora Antle, Kate Baird (presiding officer), Gary Felsten, Georgia Miller, Vice Chancellor Marwan Wafa, Debbie Winikates, Lisa Siefker Bailey

K. Baird called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m.

Approval of Agenda

- The Senators approved the January 29, 2010, agenda by consensus. (Motion to approve made by D. Gardner and seconded by C. Brandon.)

Approval of Minutes

- The Senators approved the December 18, 2009, minutes by consensus. (Motion to approve made by C. Brandon and seconded by K. Wills.)

Vice Chancellor and Dean Report

- VC Wafa will be attending Budget Hearing in Indianapolis on Saturday, January 30, 2010. VC Wafa will speak concerning the negative impact a large budget cut will bring to our campus.
- Budget cuts for Fiscal Year End – Fall 2010-Spring 2011 will result in $352,200 being cut from our budget. This will hinder hiring both faculty and staff to support the system.
- In order to meet NCA accreditation requirements, at least 50% of the faculty need to have full-time status. We currently have 45 full-time and approximately 140 adjunct faculty. Work needs to be done to fix this imbalance.
- We are not IUPUI, we are not Bloomington, we are IUPUC and we have to be realistic about how we conduct business.
- We are committed to bringing our classrooms to a level appropriate for a university. Students have complained they feel as if they are in high school. Chalkboards and arm chairs need to be replaced. Since this is a challenge with the cuts in budget, the way to accommodate these updates is to increase enrollment.
- Enrollment is a function of strategic planning concerning programs. Faculty need to focus on programming with complete degrees available.
- Target enrollment of 4.5% (16, 252 credit hours and 1539 head count) was not met. We instead achieved only 15,289 credit hours.
- The women’s restroom is done. Work now begins on the men’s.
- Faculty need to promote a culture of care and support for our students and staff. Students are not a burden, they are our job.

Faculty President Report

- Per the bylaws, convocations, both Fall and Spring, are considered to be Faculty Senate meetings. While in session, the Faculty Senate is required to have one meeting a month. Because we met both for the January 6 convocation and for today’s meeting, there will not be a meeting in February. The next meeting will be March 26, 2010.
- The process of Academic Honors and getting on the Dean’s list was taken to the Academic Affairs committee. Academic Affairs is working on a proposal to be voted on in March.
Committee Reports

Executive

- All reports will not be read at each meeting. Reports will be posted on the website.

K. Baird

Academic Affairs

- Process for students with extenuating circumstances is being clarified.
- Grade change policy on the website is being clarified and updated to be more IUPUC specific.

R. Bartlett

Faculty Affairs

- Revision/draft of Faculty Awards protocol was e-mailed last week. The revision reorganizes and clarifies procedures already in place, with a few changes. The main change is the recommendation to reclassify the administrative committee, previously under the Vice Chancellor’s office, to an Ad Hoc committee under the Faculty Senate. All reference to division heads was deleted as to eligibility.
- The Faculty Research Award was changed to the Faculty Research, Scholarship & Creative Activity Award.
- The time period for award eligibility was voted on. The approved eligibility criteria now state that a faculty member must have worked for four consecutive semesters (excluding summer) and is eligible for nomination in their fifth semester. The draft will be forwarded as approved.
- The draft was approved by consensus of the members of Faculty Senate.
- Nomination forms and information for the Jacqueline Franz award will go out immediately. The nomination form will be made available to students also.

S. Schmidt

Budgetary and Resources Policy

- Report is as stated in the December minutes.

C. Brandon

Student Affairs

- Report is as stated in the December minutes.

L. Siefker-Bailey

Constitution and Bylaws

- Report is as stated in the minutes. A joint meeting with the Assessment committee will be held in February.

I. Kelceoglu

Nominations Committee

- No Report; committee did not meet this month.

G. Felsten

Boards, Ad Hoc Committees & Administrative Reports

IUPUC Assessment Committee

- No report; joint meeting with Constitution and By-laws committee is scheduled

D. Winikates

Promotion & Tenure Board

- The committee is continuing to work on the campus document.

G. Felsten

Grievance Board

- No report.

S. Schmidt

IUPUI Faculty Council

- Health care benefits will increase in 2011. There will be more information forthcoming.

A. Howland

Emergency Preparedness Committee

- Emergency telephones are now in hallways.
- Safety Personnel have different ID.

K. Baird for W. Fields

ITAC

- Minutes have been posted to the website.

R. Lynch
Old Business
- None

New Business
- None

Announcements
- Faculty Colloquium, February 19, 2010. The topic has not been announced. Check the website.

Adjournment
- The meeting was adjourned at 10:05 a.m. (Motion made by C. Brandon and seconded by K. Wills)

Next Meeting:
Friday, March 26, 2010
9:30 AM – 11:00 AM
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