IUPUC Faculty Senate Minutes
Friday, March 25, 2011
CC176

SENATORS ATTENDING: Kate Baird, Chris Brandon, Tom Clerkin, Jenny Conner, Emily Dill, Sam Forster, Doug Gardner, Julie Goodspeed-Chadwick, Ilknur Keleoglu (Education alternate), Larita Killian, Kimdy Le, Laura Lee Wetzel.

NOT ATTENDING: Rebecca Bartlett, Allison Howland, Dan Rusu, Steven Schmidt, Ann Styron.

Other Attendees: Barbara Hass-Jacobs (presiding), Gabrielle Bovenzi (guest), Gary Felsten, Georgia Miller, Joan Poulsen, Marwan Wafa, Mark Volpatti (guest), Kathy Wills.

Barbara Hass Jacobus called the meeting to order at 9:34 a.m.

Approval of Agenda


Approval of Minutes

- The Senators approved the February 18, 2011, minutes by consensus. Gardner, Wetzel.

Vice Chancellor and Dean Report

- Summary presentation on IU benchmark study on cost-cutting and centralization. Step 1 was the consolidation of IT services. We have a CIO, Tom Sawyer, who has responsibility for southeastern Indiana. Internally, there are no changes so far. IUPUC has been the ignored campus and has thus fallen behind in terms of technology upgrades, so we should see benefits from that consolidation. HR, payroll, marketing & communications, and student services are the other areas under scrutiny.
- Parking concerns have been voiced. The recycling bins are scheduled to be relocated, as well as one of the “long car” spots near the tennis courts.
- Some pine trees have been removed from the building perimeter, due to safety and aesthetic concerns. Consulting with IU to find some replacement trees and shrubs.
- VC Wafa and G. Felsten visited Bloomington regarding the Masters of Counseling Psychology program proposal. Concerns were addressed and some compromises were made, but it appears that the proposal will once again move forward. Degree is now called “Master of Science in Mental Health Counseling.”
- ESLI is a company which may take over ESL classes and market us in the global market at no cost to us.
- Two failed searches: Business and Nursing (husband/wife team). Final stages of ME searches. Education division head and registrar services director proceeding. New Marketing director starts Monday (Susan Sullivan). Associate Dean search is progressing and was changed from internal to national; more applications are being received. All faculty should become involved in the interview process, as this affect everyone.
- Issues pertaining to P&T in core schools Education and Nursing. This will be a focus of efforts in the near future.

Faculty President Report

- The annual nominations period for Faculty Senate and committees is fast approaching. All faculty are urged to consider serving on Senate or a committee, and to participate in and take the upcoming elections process seriously. Faculty governance is critical to the success of the campus.

Committee Reports

Executive

- Committee met last Friday.
- M. Volpatti and G. Bovenzi from IUPUI. (handout is exact wording of what students will see). Monday announcement to IUPUC community, regarding Credit Card Convenience Service fee for students paying the Bursar account charges with a credit card. IUPUI had $1M total expense, of which an estimated $50,000 to $75,000 was IUPUC’s portion. Bloomington does not accept credit cards, but IUPUC didn’t want to go that far, so instead will institute a 2.7% fee to cover the processing costs, effective August 1, 2011. IUPUI started the policy last year. Fee amount is subject to change. Can still pay by cash, check, or e-check. Will no longer be able to accept Visa for the
Bursar account, but can still accept other cards. The restriction on Visa does not apply to Executive Education, CTL registrations, or the Café. Debit is considered to be a credit card. The fee money does not go to this campus, but to the credit card company specifically. In the past, we chose to absorb the added cost to be competitive with Ivy Tech, but the decision was made that this is no longer necessary. We are also looking at instituting the student activity fee, so that we are not absorbing that $100,000 budget line out of general funds. Question: How will this be communicated to students? A: TV monitors, website, registration guide, students from last fall or this spring will also get an email. New students will get emails and it will be presented at orientation. Q: What will student activity fee be? A: We have requested $4 per credit hour, up to 12 hours. Q: Is it explained that the fee exists because the card company charges a fee? A: It is stated in the information on the handout, and will also be in a FAQ on the website. Q: What percentage students pay with credit card? A: Don’t have that number. M. Volpatti will find out. Q: When the student looks at the account, will they see the new total with service fee when they choose the credit option? A: System will recognize the student as Columbus with screens explaining the service fee and itemizing out the service fee. Two confirmations are required to process the transaction. Money is not refundable if they change their mind. They will be talking to IUPUC Student Council this afternoon, as well as Student Services employees so that they can field questions. Tuition charge and service fees will also be listed as separate transactions on the student’s credit card bill. They will also get separate confirmation emails for the IUPUC payment and the service fee payment. Neither IU-Bloomington nor Ball State take credit cards, and Purdue charges a convenience fee, as have other big Ten schools.

Academic Affairs

- DISCUSSION ITEM: Admissions policy for CACA applicants (see attachment); sufficient lead time is needed to allow for those students who will benefit from the Bridge program to be identified.
  - Baird moves to accept the recommendation but Goodspeed-Chadwick recommends a change in wording. Clerkin seconded. Motion is carried unanimously to accept policy.

Faculty Affairs

- Only 30% of faculty have responded to the survey regarding the Scantron (class climate) Fall pilot. We will notify faculty via email that we will send out one last request to participate so that they can be looking for it. If they don't receive the survey request then they will need to let us know that, too. This will all be in the email.
- We will create a SharePoint site for next year's faculty awards process as one of many steps toward needed improvements (as identified by 2011 Awards Committee).
- The committee is working on the next faculty orientation process suggestions (from previous years).

Budgetary and Resources Policy

- Posted minutes. Continuing to monitor parking and working with M. Volpatti. According to IUB and IUPUI policy, buying A sticker does not guarantee an A space at any IU campus, but can buy reserved spot for $175/month (IUPUI charge amount). Q: Parking wasn’t an issue until this year, was there a change made in the sales? A: No longer sold to students, increased ticketing and awareness to remove students from the spaces, and dumpsters being moved, as well as new lot opening. Q: Have discussions been done about enforcing parking in visitor spots? A: Mark Volpatti is working on method to ticket those, though right now there is no way to identify student cars. Reply: Do we need all of those spots, though, versus turning it into tag spots? K. Baird: There are guest tags available in the Bursar’s office. L. Wetzel: Per Mar Volpatti, there are ADA regulations on the number of handicapped slots required.

Student Affairs

- Summer Bowman and Hannah Denny have been chosen to receive the 2011 Student Service Leadership award. The winners have been notified and a formal announcement is to come from the Vice Chancellor’s office.

Constitution and Bylaws

- Recommendations made by the Nominations Committee on changes to the bylaws are being reviewed and a response will be addressed to that committee.

Nominations Committee

- Continuing to work with division heads to secure nominations for open positions.
Boards, Ad Hoc Committees & Administrative Reports

Assessment, Accreditation, and Program Review Committee  
- No report.

Promotion & Tenure Board  
- No report.

Grievance Board  
- No report.

IUPUI Faculty Council  
- A. Howland can nominate any tenure-track faculty member who would be interested in serving on the IUPUI Faculty Council; she needs to know by April 1 (email to follow).

Emergency Preparedness Committee  
- No report.

ITAC  
- No report.

Old Business  
- None.

New Business  
- None.

Announcements  
- Faculty Colloquium: Jim Clack, noon today in 170: talking about eyes
- K. Baird: IUPUC Division of Education presented the new enhanced program to the Executive Council of the IU School of Education, and all programs accepted without modification or concern; next step is to go to the state to get our programs approved.
- T. Clerkin: Two Business colleagues (L. Killian and C. Brandon) were selected for the PEAR award at IUPUI. This is the second PEAR award for L. Killian.
- G. Miller: eGrade is back up and operational.
- B. Hass-Jacobus: An IUPUC Bridge student has received a summer research internship from Purdue, working on plant pathogens.
- M. Wafa: Tent City to be held by students to bring attention to need for student housing on this campus. We should encourage students to show up and demonstrate to community the interest and need for student housing. Community leaders are beginning to change their vision of how the land around IUPUC should be used.
- L. Wetzel: “Walk a mile in her shoes” also coming up; encourages faculty participation in these programs.

Adjournment  
- The meeting was adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Next Meeting: Friday, April 15, 2011 at 9:30 a.m. in CC 176