SENATORS ATTENDING: Kate Baird, Erica Bert, Chris Brandon (Alternate for Larita Killian), Kathy Compton, Jenny Conner-Zachocki, Emily Dill, Doug Gardner, Allison Howland, Kimdy Le, Joan Poulson, Ann Styron, Madelyn Shackelford Washington, Laura Lee Wetzel

NOT ATTENDING: Sam Forster, Julie Goodspeed-Chadwick, Larita Killian, Kristen Needler Hosmer

Other Attendees: Anna Carmon, Gary Felsten, Barbara Hass Jacobus (presiding), Marwan Wafa, Frank Wadsworth, Kathy Wills, Debbie Winikates

Barbara Hass Jacobus called the meeting to order at 9:35 a.m.

Approval of Agenda

B. Hass Jacobus

• The Senators approved the December 16, 2011 agenda. Motion to approve by J. Poulson, second by K. Baird. Passed by consensus.

Approval of Minutes

B. Hass Jacobus

• The Senators approved the November 18, 2011 minutes. Motion to approve by C. Brandon, second by D. Gardner. Passed by consensus.

Vice Chancellor and Dean Report

M. Wafa

• Presenting Cluster Conversation at IUPUI in early January to justify budget. M. Wafa has been asked to address questions about changes in type of students we’re attracting, what kind of marketing strategies we are using/planning, how much do marketing efforts cost, how are we assessing the marketing, what will we do with any surplus in our budget. Deadline for response to the written questions is Dec. 20th.

• STEMporium received a $50,000 grant from Duke Energy. Thanks to K. Baird for her hard work on this.

• $250k grant from Arvin Foundation and $150k matching grant from CEC to support Engineering education.

Faculty President Report

B. Hass Jacobus

• Thanks faculty who were involved in last week’s Speakeasy event. Faculty are encouraged to continue to support student events.

• B. Hass Jacobus attended a web redesign meeting on behalf of Faculty Senate. She brought up the need for an improved search engine and the need for faculty to have flexible faculty pages, among other things.

• B. Hass Jacobus put out a call for nominations for UFC (University Faculty Council) and IUPUI’s Undergraduate Curriculum Committee. No names received thus far so unless she hears something today we won’t put forth any names.

• B. Hass Jacobus distributed via email information on move at IU to reform UFC.

Committee Reports

Executive

B. Hass Jacobus

• Committee met last Friday and discussed Spring Convocation. In conjunction with Dr. Wafa, agenda has been set: 5 min. intro from VC Wafa/B. Hass Jacobs; 15 min. for Nik Osborne to discuss e-textbooks; 5 min. VC report; 10 min. Registrar; 10 min. Gen Ed.; 15 min. open discussion time with committee chairs.
Chairs will forward discussion points to B. Hass Jacobus who will forward them with agenda to faculty ahead of time.

Academic Affairs

- Minutes posted. Committee will be working on Honors Program proposal in the spring.

Budgetary and Resources Policy

- Minutes posted. Committee will bring information item on campus lost and found locations to January Faculty Senate meeting.

Constitution and Bylaws

- Items still in process including Mary Fisher’s suggestions and constitutional definition of full time faculty. The committee hopes to bring change proposals to Senate early next semester.

Faculty Affairs

- Revisions to awards protocol have been completed, but it will be a while before the webpage is restructured to post the revisions. Awards committee will distribute changes soon. Important awards dates: FARs due Feb. 6, Trustees Teaching Award nominations due Feb. 20, rest of awards due March 5.
- Question from E. Berte about composition of awards committee. Committee appointed in fall, often with previous years’ winners. Committee has representation from each division.

Nominations Committee

- The committee sought feedback from Senate and division heads about reconstituting committee. Will bring proposal in Feb. that committee will remain a committee of 4 voted on by Senate with at least 3 divisions represented each year. Will look at nominations for coming year at their January meeting.

Student Affairs

- Information item: Solutions mental health business cards have been printed and card holders have been ordered. The information will be available in all campus bathrooms and academic offices and will be distributed to faculty.
- Action item: Recommendations for changes to Student Funding Policy were presented. L. Wetzel asked for clarification on whether Faculty Senate has the authority to make recommendations on this—B. Hass Jacobus stated that our constitution/bylaws gives Faculty Senate authority over student government and student activities. K. Baird moved that Student Affairs should send recommendations to Student Council for endorsement, L. Wetzel seconded.

Boards, Ad Hoc Committees & Administrative Reports

Assurance of Learning Committee

- No report.

Promotion & Tenure Committee

- No report.

Grievance Board

- No report.

IUPUI Faculty Council

- Faculty Council sent out resolution to Bloomington asking for more communication and clarification about health benefits price increases.
• Looking for volunteers for Merger, Elimination Committee programs in core schools. M. Wafa asked B. Sharer and C. Brown to volunteer since they lead our core schools.

Old Business
• None.

New Business
• None.

Announcements
• M. Wafa thanks A. Carmon for taking leading role on Speakeasy.
• M. Wafa thanks K. Baird for her successful STEMпорium proposal.
• M. Wafa thanks K. Compton for her time and energy on the IUPUC float for the Festival of Lights parade. Maybe next year engineering can help?
• A. Carmon and J. Poulsen presenting faculty colloquium at noon today, “Ostracism in the Family”.
• K. Baird thanks staff council for organizing philanthropic events like Senior Angel Tree, Love Chapel donations, batteries for service people and thanks staff and faculty for helping with these events.
• L. Wetzel reminds that we are still collecting (in student services area) cell phones that will be donated to people awaiting organ transplants and eyeglasses for that will be distributed through the Lions Club.
• W. Wafa reminds that the deadline for Excellence in Diversity Awards deadline has been extended to Dec. 22.
• L. Wetzel reminds us that the application deadline for international students is March 1.

Adjournment
• Move to adjourn by C. Brandon, K. Baird seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 10:16 a.m.

Next Meeting: January 20, 2011 9:30-11:00 AM
Location: CC176