SENATORS AND ALTERNATES ACTING AS SENATORS ATTENDING:
Business: E. Berte, K. Jones
Education: J. Connor
Liberal Arts: J. Goodspeed-Chadwick, D. Gardner
Library: M. Albertin, M. Washington
Nursing: K. Auberry, C. Crisp
Science: R. Lynch, M. Youngs
At-large: B. Hass Jacobus, J. Poulsen
Adjunct: J. Byrd, P. Clarke


Welcome and Call to Order
- C. Brandon called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

Approval of Agenda
- The agenda was approved.

Approval of Minutes
- The minutes of the meeting of November 16 were approved.

Vice Chancellor & Dean’s Report
- M. Wafa discussed recent meetings about the IU Online initiative, and the increasing importance of online and hybrid classes for IUPUC’s future. Among serious points which will arise are how to make such courses student-centered, issues of competition among IU entities and “ownership” of courses, and financial arrangements.
- M. Wafa noted that both Convocation and Assembly would be held on Friday, January 3, and that details and formal invitations would be forthcoming.
- M. Wafa noted that issues had arisen regarding the graphics related to the campus mascot.

Faculty President Report
- C. Brandon reported that he had attended the first meeting of the IUPUC Emergency Preparedness committee, under the leadership of D. Johnson, and that the business there had been largely organizational and informational.

Committee Reports: Standing Committees of Senate
Executive
- C. Brandon reported that the Executive Committee had met.

Academic Affairs
- D. Gardner reported that the committee had met and taken up issues related to late withdrawal policies, with the assistance of D. Jennings and G. Felsten.

Budgetary & Resources Policy
- C. Brown was absent. M. Volpatti was invited to present on the IUPUC budget, especially the assessments our campus pays as a unit of IUPUI. Over $2.65 million is budgeted for such assessments during the current fiscal year.
- M. Volpatti and M. Wafa both noted that the basis for calculating IUPUC’s costs in this regard had been somewhat rationalized in recent years to reflect charges for those services that we actually use.

Constitution & Bylaws
- K. Baird announced that action on the proposal for a recall policy for members of committees elected by the faculty at large had been delayed to give divisions an opportunity to discuss the proposed changes.
- K. Baird discussed proposals to include the Associate Dean of Academic Affairs in the constitution and bylaws.
- K. Baird noted that she was stepping down from the interim role of chair of the committee, as E. Dill is due to return from leave. Several people expressed gratitude for Kate’s efforts in this “last-minute” duty.
Faculty Affairs
- M. Oakes reported on efforts by faculty and staff to become better informed on issues related to health insurance and its costs to faculty and staff. The committee was working with Budgetary & Resources Policy on these issues, and looks to work with others at IUPUC and elsewhere in the future.

Nominations Committee
- In the absence of A. Carmon, there was no report.

Student Affairs
- A. Styron reported that the committee had met, but had no action items to report.

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- In the absence of A. Carmon, there was no report.

Committee Reports: Boards, Ad Hoc Committee, & Administrative Reports

General Education Board
- No report was made.

Representative to IUPUI Faculty Council
- C. Brown was absent; C. Brandon and D. Gardner noted that F. Wadsworth had also attended the most recent IFC meeting, and had made notes.

Old Business
- The very latest revision of the IUPUC Mission Statement was circulated, and M. Wafa discussed the extensive consultations that had taken place to create a statement that reflected a diversity of views. M. Youngs expressed gratitude for the insertion of the word “intellectual” as one of the many compromises and revisions. The statement was endorsed without dissent.

New Business
- Items for possible inclusion on the agenda of Convocation and \ or Assembly were raised. J. Goodspeed-Chadwick wished to discuss the work of the Office of Student Research at both venues. Barbara Hass Jacobus reminded all present that a time to revisit Senate decisions was constitutionally required at Convocation.
- M. Wafa raised the iGrad initiative, which right now is being championed by Ivy Tech. iGrad looks to mentor high school students at risk of not finishing high school.

Announcements & Items for the Common Good
- C. Brandon reminded everyone of Speak Easy.

Adjournment
- The meeting adjourned at 10:19.