

Minutes

Faculty Senate College-Wide Committee Meeting
Dr. Bill Wilcox, College-Wide Faculty Senate President
Dr. Catherine Wilkins, Secretary
November 2, 2012 at 2:00 p.m. in AA-177

Attendance:

Lee:
Collier: 24
Charlotte: 5
Hendry-Glades

- I. The meeting was called to order at 2:15 PM. The first order of business was to approve the October 5, 2012 minutes. The minutes were voted upon and approved (Hoover, ?).
- II. Senate Purpose Statement for Academic Committees
 - A) The purpose statement as stands was approved by the Charlotte faculty.
 - B) The Lee campus approved an amended purpose statement (see Lee campus minutes).
 - C) Collier campus struck the phrase “must assure the college and accrediting agencies,” and replaced it with the term “committees will be free of undue influence;” replaced “hand in glove” with “collaboratively,” and inserted “of” between “integrity” and “college courses,” giving justification for the changes when asked.
 - D) Van Glabek suggested we distribute the amended statements for review. In discussion, Wilcox suggested that the Executive Committee look at the revised drafts and combine the elements of all into one document. Ambrose moved Executive Committee look at the revised drafts and combine the elements of all into one document to be distributed to faculty via email, to be approved by online vote on Survey Monkey. A vote was taken and the motion passed. (Ambrose, Weir)
- III. College Realignment Plans
 - A) Charlotte campus read their statement of recommendations to Dr. Allbritten on the realignment that their faculty unanimously approved.
 - B) Worch was asked to speak on the work of the Chairs Committee, which has been evaluating the role and duties of Chair. A Chair Model document was composed, and was voted upon this morning by the committee. Daniels raised the concern that the chairs were writing their own job descriptions without any outside faculty contributions. Worch responded that Senate Executive Committee members had been contacted and invited to observe the deliberations of the subcommittee that designed the new Chair model. The only executive committee member who received an invitation was Lehrian, who responded favorably, attempted to call into the TLC on the date of the meeting, but was then told that she was not invited or involved in this meeting since it was for chairs only. Seefchak described the thorough research processes that the subcommittee employed in order to develop their Chair model, and also explained how it must now be vetted by the Senate, Union, and Administration. Wilcox suggested that the Executive Committee draft a statement on reorganization of the academic side by examining course level activities. Ambrose moved to thank the chairs for all their work, and accept the process that the subcommittee of the chairs used. In discussion, Weir asked that faculty be able to see the chair model that the subcommittee developed and be able to discuss it thoroughly before anything is approved or voted on. Worch agreed to distribute the model to the faculty as a whole.
 - C) Wilcox suggested that the Executive Committee meet in the near future to discuss and combine the feedback from faculty on all campus, to be compiled into a narrative that can be shared with Dr. Allbritten. Weir moved that Faculty Senate endorse the work of the Executive Committee to compose a narrative representing the views of the faculty on the college reorganization and acknowledge the work of the Chair committee on the new chair model. The motion was voted upon and approved. (Weir, Wolfson)

IV. New Business

A) Final Exam schedule is a mess. Can faculty have some input into the final exam schedule for the spring?
Wilcox will contact the office of the VPAA to work on this schedule.

V. Having no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:00 PM. (Wilcox, Hoover)