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## **Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting for January 24, 2005**

### **Attendance:**

Senators: Derek Mason (1288) David Luthy (2429) Stephen Bialkowski (1907)  
John Kras (3881) Bruce Miller (2232) Rob Morrison (1477)  
Shawn Olsen (451-3412) Gilberto Urroz (3379) Janis Boettinger (4026)  
Brent Miller (1180) Pat Lambert (for Kevin Doyle) (2603) Dale Blahna (2544)

Guests: Jeff Johnson Ronda Callister Norm Jones  
Joyce Kinkead Christine Hult Ken White Jan Alm

Excused: Kermit Hall (1157) Stan Albrecht (1167)

### **Minutes**

Bruce Miller moved to accept the December 13, 2004 minutes with the revision that Dale Blahna attended. The motion, seconded by Rob Morrison, passed.

### **Information Items for Consent Agenda**

#### Athletic Council

Ken White presented the Athletic Council report. Some of the high points included hiring a new Athletic Director and football coach and moving to the Western Athletic Council. Bruce Miller moved to place the report on the consent agenda item. The motion, seconded by John Kras, passed.

#### Bookstore Committee

Jan Alm presented the Bookstore Committee report. Stephen Bialkowski moved to place the report on the consent agenda. The motion, seconded by Rob Morrison, passed. Jan suggested that the policy on selecting the Bookstore Committee be changed to include three senators instead of 2. This would allow the chair to have some experience. Janis Boettinger asked Jan to send the proposed changes to Christina Palmer to distribute to the appropriate committee.

#### EPC Business

Joyce Kinkead presented the EPC business, which included the following action items: 1) Request to delete the approval of the composite majors of Secondary Education/Special Education-Mild/Moderate and Secondary Education/Special Education-Severe from the College of Education and Human Services (these will be dual majors). 2) Request to offer Bachelor's degrees and a minor in Religious Studies, 3) Request to establish a Creative Writing Emphasis within the English Major, and 4) request to dissolve the Distance and Electronic Education (DEED) Subcommittee of EPC. The Educational Policies Committee feels that there are existing committees that are working on the issues that DEED was originally charged with. Derek Mason moved that action items 1-3 be placed on the consent agenda. The motion, seconded by David Luthy, passed. Stephen Bialkowski moved the oversight of the online course evaluation issue be forwarded to the Faculty Evaluation Committee. The motion, seconded by Shawn Olsen, passed. John Kras moved that Rob Morrison, Stephen Bialkowski, and David Luthy revisit the charge of the DEED committee and submit recommendation. The motion, seconded by Rob Morrison, passed.

## **Announcements**

### **Religious Studies Program Endowment**

Norm Jones updated the committee on the Religious Studies Program endowment of \$600,000. Stephen Bialkowski moved that the endowment be placed as an information item. The motion, seconded by Rob Morrison, passed.

### **Web for Faculty**

Heidi Beck talked about the functionalities available in Banner Web for Faculty. Please talk with your colleagues about what they want/need on the reports and send your input to Heidi Beck at heidi.beck@usu.edu. Dale Blahna moved that Web for Faculty update be placed as an information item (5 minutes). The motion, seconded by Shawn Olsen, passed.

### **Faculty Mediation**

Rob Morrison reminded the committee that there is faculty mediation provided by faculty for faculty available. It was suggested that the information be posed on the Faculty Senate webpage as well as the Faculty page from the main index. Rob Morrison moved that Faculty Mediation be placed as an information item. The motion, seconded by Derek Mason, passed.

### **FSEC Brown Bag Luncheons**

Janis Boettinger informed the committee that Provost Albrecht is enthusiastic to meet with the committee at the informal brown bag luncheon. Christina Palmer will work with Diane Barnett in setting up these luncheons.

## **Key Issues & Action Items**

### **Policy 405.2**

Jeff Johnson presented the proposed language change to Policy 405.2 (see proposed changes). Bruce Miller moved that the proposed language change be placed as an information item. The motion, seconded by John Kras, passed.

### **Promotion Advisory Committee 3 yrs After Tenure**

Ronda Callister presented the Promotion Advisory Committee 3 years After Tenure Proposal. There is concern that after faculty reaches tenure, there is no guidance in being promoted to full professor. There was discussion of how this would affect Post Tenure Review and if there is a real need. Stephen Bialkowski moved that the proposal be placed as an information item along with summary of Advance's data as rationale behind the proposed policy change. The motion, seconded by Derek Mason, passed.

### **Special Development Leave for Lecturers**

The Special Development Leave for Lecturers proposal was addressed under "Other PRPC Business". The PRPC committee will look at Policies 360 and 400 to determine if lectures are included in development leave. They will make recommendations to the FSEC.

### **Ombudsperson on P&T Advisory Committee**

The original proposal (December 2000) was not passed as a code change. There was discussion if this proposal should be a resolution from the Faculty Senate or a code change. Bruce Miller suggested that if there is a problem then it needs to be a code change rather than a resolution. Stephen Bialkowski moved that the proposal be drafted as a code change and placed as an information item along with summary of data. The motion, seconded by Bruce Miller, passed.

### Proposed Resolution

Stephen Bialkowski moved that the proposed Scholarships, Grants and Waivers resolution be placed as an action item. The motion, seconded by Derek Mason, passed.

### Athletic Council

David Luthy moved to place Mike Freeman as the College of Education and Human Services representative for the Athletic Council as an action item. The motion, seconded by Bruce Miller, passed.

### **Spring Faculty Forum**

Derek Mason moved to place the Spring Forum as an information item. The motion, seconded by Gilberto Urroz, passed. Topics for the Spring Forum include domestic partner benefits and post-retirement benefits. The tentative date is March 28, 2005.

### **Faculty Senate Leadership Workshop**

Derek Mason reminded the committee that Jared Bleak, Duke Corporation Education, will be on campus January 26-17 to facilitate a faculty senate leadership workshop. Please RSVP to Christina Palmer.

### **Adjournment**

The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m.