

FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee met on October 18, 2017 at 3 p.m. in the Library of the University Club, Vice Chair Krista Wallace-Boaz presiding.

Voting Members Present:

Krista Wallace-Boaz, Roger Bradshaw, Terri Holtze, David Owen, David Simpson, Chin Ng, J.P. Mohsen, Kurt Metzmeier

Also Attending:

Tracy Eells, Jonathan Fuller, Ginger Brown

Voting Members Not Present:

Enid Trucios-Haynes, Pam Feldhoff, Robert Barker, Roy Fuller,

Call to Order

REPORT: Student Government – Fuller

The SGA passed a resolution regarding transparency with the presidential search. The SGA will meet next Tuesday.

REPORT: Staff Senate – Brown

The Staff Senate met on October 9th on HSC in the CTRB. President Postel updated the Senate on various topics. John Elliott, Interim AVP for HR also gave updates. The Staff Recognition luncheons will be held on October 20 and 27th. The Staff Senate meets next on November 13, 2017.

REPORT: Faculty Senate Chair – Trucios-Haynes

Chair Trucios-Haynes is attending an Board of Trustees meeting.

DISCUSSION & ACTION ITEMS – Wallace-Boaz

- **Tenure Policy Research:** Submission deadline – October 27, 2017
- **Faculty Senate XC response to closed presidential search** – Senate Vice Chair, Krista Wallace-Boaz thanked the committee for its help on developing the letter to the Board of Trustees.
- **Tuition Increase** – The committee discussed tuition and the effects a state budget cut will have to the University. The state legislature does not announce budget cuts until late spring, but tuition is set before the cuts are known. Concerns were raised about the affect cuts will have on the quality of education and that cuts will require a tuition increase, putting the financial burden on the backs of students.
- **Forum Discussion Input** – Vice Chair Wallace-Boaz began the discussion by asking for ideas for the forum discussions. The committee had issues with the chart that was provided, stating that the listed points were meaningless without context.
- **2017 RIFs** – More current information is needed for a discussion.

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- **CFO/COO Searches** – This is the position that Harlan Sands held. It has been split into two positions.
 - Chief Operating Officer – This is an ongoing search for the position currently held by Lee Smith. The search committee is chaired by John Elliott, AVP-HR. There is no search firm.
 - Chief Financial Officer – The search for this position began last spring. This committee met with the finalist.

REPORTS: STANDING COMMITTEES

- Academic Programs Committee (APC) – Ng
 - This committee met last week to discuss proposals from Public Health and College of Business. The proposed suspension of the Paralegal Program was also discussed.
- Committee on Committees & Credentials (CCC) –
- Part-time Faculty Committee (PTF) – Fuller
 - This committee met earlier this week and was chaired by the Faculty Senate chair. Roy Fuller was elected as committee chair.
- Planning & Budget Committee (P&B) – Owen
 - This committee met and was chaired by the Faculty Senate chair. David Owen was elected committee chair. J.P. Mohsen and Christopher Jones are the appointed committee members for 2017-2018. The committee met and also discussed the proposals mentioned in the APC report, above. The suspension of the Paralegal Program should be moving forward. The other proposals are on hold until responses to this committee's questions are submitted.
- REDBOOK Committee (RB) – Metzmeier
 - The School of Medicine's bylaws revision is ready to be presented at the November meeting. The committee is waiting for its charge to elect a new chair. Senator Metzmeier will be on sabbatical next spring.
 - Update on unit documents –
 - Speed School Personnel Documents – The bylaws were forwarded for a legal review to make sure all is aligned with The REDBOOK.
 - Kent School Personnel Documents – same as above.
 - College of Education Personnel Documents – The Legal Department had questions and sent it back to Education.

OLD BUSINESS:

A brief discussion of the revised Nepotism Policy took place. The updated policy will be implemented starting on November 1, 2017.

NEW BUSINESS:

The Provost's Office of Faculty Affairs gives Leadership Development workshops for chairs and faculty. The next one will be *Free Speech and Academic Freedom in Higher Education*. A brief

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discussion on when best to hold this workshop took place. Most committee members felt February would be a good time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- A memorial for Carol Hanchette, the UofL faculty member who passed away will be held this afternoon.
- Hold the date – For Pam Feldhoff's appreciation reception on November 17, 2017. More details to follow.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 4:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Gretchen Henry