

## **Faculty Senate Minutes January 21, 2010**

### **Call to Order:**

Call to order: 4:10 pm, Riggle Room, ADUC

Senators Absent: John Hennen, Nathan Nabb

Visitors: Sue Tallichet, Eric Jerde, Kyle Yarawsky

Minutes: The minutes of December 3, 2009 were approved as submitted.

### **Committee Review:**

Academic Policies: No Report

Communications: Looking into archiving Senate records

Evaluation: No Report

Fiscal Affairs: Reminded faculty to enroll in new Sick Leave Bank

Governance: Will have nomination for Standing Committee

Professional Policies: Working on proposals for FEP and Tenure

### **Reports:**

Regent's Report:

- Board of Regents work session will be February 18, 2010
- Board of Regents quarterly meeting will be March 11, 2010, will be ratifying tenure and electing officers

Chair's Report:

- Chair Berglee provided the Senators with a copy of the description of the Bookstore Review Panel.
- Chair Berglee commended the members of the General Education Council for their hard work. Chair Berglee has stressed to the Administration the importance of administrative support.

General Education Report:

- General Education Council will ask the Administration to provide a full-time staff person for assessment and will continue to look for a Faculty Assessment Coordinator.
- Yvonne Baldwin will not be leading the General Education Council after June 30, 2010.
- Completed the initial assessment of the 1<sup>st</sup>-year seminar proposals
- Approved request for course fee of \$10.00 for 1<sup>st</sup>-year seminar
- Beginning to evaluate the transition courses for next year
- Cathy Thomas is assisting with General Education
- Common assessment for all sections of the same course in General Education
- 1<sup>st</sup>-year seminar proposals may still be submitted

### **Senate Actions:**

Governance:

- The Governance Committee recommended John Hennen serve on the University Promotion Committee. Senator McCormick called the question. Recommendation approved.

Chair's Report:

Constitution Reform Committee Report:

- Members: Beverly McCormick-Chair, Brent Rogers, Lesia Lennex, Sue Tallichet, Eric Jerde. Chair Berglee thanked the members of the Constitution Reform Committee for their time and hard work preparing the draft of suggestions to the Faculty Senate Constitution.
- A draft of suggestions for revising the Senate Constitution was submitted to the Senate by the Constitution Reform Committee. The Executive Council previously agreed that the draft would be given to the Governance Committee for final editing. Senator Berglee asked the Senate members to submit their comments, suggestions, and revisions to the Governance Committee to be incorporated into the draft document.
- The Constitution Reform Committee met with the Provost during the process of revising the Constitution. Senator McCormick explained to the Senators the major revisions throughout the document. Senator McCormick will be meeting with President Andrews and Provost Hughes to review the draft of suggestions. The Senators discussed the draft of suggestions at length.

Senator Chatham moved to suspend the rules to meet until after the Provost's report.  
Motion carried.

Provost's Report:

- The Provost provided the following report on Kentucky House Bill 160:

"Representative Carl Rollins has submitted House Bill 160 for vote by the House. It is the intention of the bill to increase the number of college graduates in Kentucky to meet the 2020 goals which is expected to bring more businesses to Kentucky and increase state revenues. It is the intention of this bill to make it easier for KCTCS graduates to be accepted by state public universities and to eliminate the practice having KCTCS graduates repeat lower division courses once they transfer to a university. The bill achieves these goals by making all associate degree programs a maximum of 60 credit hours and all bachelors degree programs 120 credit hours, by aligning all college programs and making them comparable in content, quality, learning outcomes, and pre-requisite hours, while at the same time retaining professional accreditation standards. It is not the intention of the bill or CPE to "dictate what you can or cannot teach," only to make sure that all students interested in our programs who are taking lower division courses at a community college are fully qualified before they transfer to any Kentucky university. To facilitate this process, the bill has specific reporting requirements and has put CPE in charge of coordinating and overseeing the implementation of the bill.

There is some language in the bill that still needs to be reworded and we have been invited to submit suggestions for that wording and we intend to do so. It is not expected that the bill will be submitted for a vote until the last part of the session, so we have time to work out the needed changes and will be doing so.

If this bill becomes law, it will take effect in the fall of 2012-2013.

Karla Hughes, Provost  
January 21, 2010"

Announcements:

The SGA will begin a community service challenge between Morehead State University and Eastern Kentucky University. SGA President Kyle Yarawsky asked the members to communicate to other faculty that "MSU/EKU Challenge for Change" will begin January 23, 2010 and end February 17, 2010. Signup sheets for the various projects will be available in ADUC.

Adjournment: 6:20 p.m.