

FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Minutes April 24, 2013

Chair:

Ezra B. W. Zubrow (Excused, W. Baumer Chair *pro tempore*)

Secretary:

Edward Herman (Excused, Beth Adelman Secretary *pro tempore*)

Arts & Sciences:

William H. Baumer

Melvyn Churchill

Steven Durbin (Excused)

Stephen Dyson (Excused)

Dental Medicine:

Elaine Davis

Engineering & Applied Sciences:

Adly Fam (Excused)

Joseph Mollendorf

Graduate Scholl of Education:

Suzanne Miller (Excused)

School of Public Health & Health Professions:

Scott White

Law:

Lynn Mather

Management:

Larry Sanders

Medicine & Biomedical Sciences:

Rajendra Badgaiyan (Excused)

James Hasset

Ranjit Singh

Michal Stachowiak

Nursing:

Grace Dean

Pharmacy:

Alice Ceacareanu

Social Work:

Barbara Rittner

SUNY Senators:

Michel Behun

Donald Grinde (Excused)

Kathleen Kielar (Excused)

Peter Nickerson

University Libraries:

Beth Adelman

Parliamentarian:

William H. Baumer

GUESTS:

Christine Ellington-Rowe, Executive Director, UB Child Care Center

Daniel E. Ovadia, UB Council Student Representative

1. Report of the Provost:

Provost Zukowski discussed feedback he has received about Realizing UB2020:

a.) The Provost reported that he is receiving feedback from the online forms as well as from UB2020 in-person Forums. Feedback he is receiving relating to the way the UB2020 document is written gives the impression that all decisions and implementation will be accomplished by September 1, 2013. The Provost reported that during the summer months he will be working toward putting processes into place that will lead to implementation.

b.) The Provost reported that there have been concerns raised regarding how hiring plans will be articulated. The Provost intends to have hiring plans ready early in the fall so that the hiring processes can

get underway as soon as possible.

c.) The issue of merit pay has been raised by many commenters. The Provost communicated that this issue requires conversations with faculty, staff, unions, Human Resources, and possibly other stakeholders.

FSEC Question: How will UB2020 be written up and carried out?

Provost: UB2020 will require the mobilization of lots of committees to carry out each initiative.

FSEC Question: An FSEC member questioned the concept of core learning outcomes in the UB2020 document because some are not outcome measures (example, the ability to navigate the world).

Provost: UB will provide a substantial international experience as defined by the specific curriculum. UB will identify traits students should have, convert to measurable outcomes, and assess.

FSEC Question: Are themes articulated in the latest draft expected to be in the final draft?

Provost: Not necessarily because feedback still being solicited.

FSEC Question: Are themes in any particular order? If not, suggest they be labeled as not ordered.

Provost: They are in no particular order at this time.

2. Proposed schedule of meetings of Faculty Senate Executive Committee and Faculty Senate

Discussed. Unanimously approved.

3. Presentation by Christine Ellington-Rowe, Executive Director of the UB Child Care Center

4. New Business

- Corrections to minutes of the April 3, 2013 minutes discussed. Minutes approved as corrected.
- Grading Committee proposal 1:
The Committee proposed changes to the Course Enrollment Control Policy. Proposed changes include: minor corrections regarding no grades received for J grade; controlled enrollment courses in fall and spring semester only; references to winter

session as appropriate; and clarifying “controlled semester” by adding the word “enrollment” in last phrases of the policy. Proposal amended and approved unanimously.

- Grading Committee proposal 2:
Proposal to amend a set of grading policies from February 2008: insert winter session in appropriate places; minor corrections regarding no grades received for J grade; grade change deadlines for winter session as those for the fall semester. Approved unanimously.
- A recommendation to the Registrar, supported by the FSEC: grade submission deadline for winter session to be the Wednesday after winter session closes (See Appendices A and B)

Executive Session followed.

Prepared by Beth Adelman

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