CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

Faculty Senate Executive Committee

Meeting of January 18, 2006, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

Room 352 Adelbert Hall

AGENDA

9:00	1.	Selection of Reporter to Faculty Senate Meeting	R. Wright
9:05	2.	Approval of Minutes of the Meeting of December 5, 2005	R. Wright
9:10	3.	President's Announcements	E. Hundert
9:20	4.	Provost's Announcements - Update on the Academic Strategic Planning	J. Anderson
9:30	5.	Chair's Announcements	R. Wright
9:35	6.	Report of the Budget Committee	P. Gerhart
9:45	7.	Report of the By-laws Committee	M. Resnick
10:00	8.	Report from the UUF Executive Committee	L. Parker
10:20	9.	Planning for 2006 - 2007	J. Alexander
10:25	10.	Other Business: - Dual Degree Proposal D.M.D./M.D.	R. Wright J. Goldberg
	11.	Approval of Agenda for January 31, 2006 Faculty Senate Meeting	R. Wright
		MOTION to Adjourn	

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Minutes of the Meeting of January 18, 2006, 9 - 11 a.m. Room 352 Adelbert Hall

Committee members in attendance

John Anderson
Jay Alexander
Bo Carlsson
Sara Debanne
Lynne Ford

Julia Grant
Susan Hinze
David Matthiesen
Robert Salata
E. Ronald Wright

Also in attendance

Paul Gerhart, Chair, Budget Committee
Jerold Goldberg, Dean of the School of Dental medicine
Arthur Huckelbridge, Chair, Faculty personnel Committee
Kenneth Laurita, Chair, Graduate Studies Committee
Spencer Neth, Chair, Minority affairs Committee
Marsha Pyle, Associate Dean for Education in the School of Dental Medicine
Martin Resnick, Chair, By-Laws Committee

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Professor Ronald Wright, Chair of the Faculty Senate.

Professor Jay Alexander agreed to give the Executive Committee report at the Senate meeting on January 31st, and suggested that this be the role of the chair-elect on a regular basis.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the previous meeting on December 5th were approved as distributed.

President's Announcements

None. Dr. Hundert was not present.

Provost's Announcements

Provost John Anderson advised all on the anticipated time line for the Academic Strategic Plan - have a semi final draft ready for the June Board of Trustees meeting and a final draft for the October 2006 Board meeting. A steering committee, including Richard Baznik and Ken Kesegich, are assisting him - R. Baznik, because of his involvement with the last strategic plan published in 1990. Others taking leading roles for different areas are Lara Kalafatis, Lynn Singer, Don Feke, Chris Ash, Jerry Goldberg and a senior student, Ryan Latko, with Ben McDonald and Jane Vondrak also among the group of contributors. He still plans to appoint one or two additional faculty members. The Academic Strategic Plan Working Groups and their leaders are as follows:

Writing and Format: Dick Baznik and Ken Kesegich

Dissemination/Communication: Lev Gonick and Lara Kalafatis

Core Competencies: Lynn Singer and Jean Gubbins

Priorities: Chris Ash and Jerry Goldberg

John also noted that at the last Senate meeting it was suggested we hold a special Senate or Executive Committee meeting for further discussion and he would suggest that it be in early April.

He mentioned upcoming discussions with the Board's Executive Committee on research and on the West Quad as to a division in usage between academic space and business investment.

In efforts at improved campus communications, John has suggested a new monthly, hard copy, faculty newsletter, with space available for Faculty Senate news for which Chair Wright volunteered to write the piece for next month. John also thanked Lara Kalafatis for starting the Case Daily electronic newsletter, which has been greeted with positive comments.

On the subject of leadership assessment, the first round is finished in which the provost, two deans and one vice president have participated; two more deans and two vice presidents will participate in this effort, geared to improved leadership, in this semester.

A new Carnegie Classification ranking has been published which places Case in the middle of three categories and although John is not pleased with this placement, we are in the company of a number of other well-known schools. We would like to find out more about how classifications are being determined.

Chair's Announcements

Professor Wright spoke about the hope that a re-constituted University Budget Committee will work with the new University Planning Committee to, as some suggested, come to some realistic projections and key assumptions. A discussion ensued on how faculty initiatives can get into a budget, and how the former University Budget Committee actually operated to advise the president on the construction of a budget, while the Senate's Budget Committee's stated role is to ensure that academic goals and priorities are funded. A comparison was made on the separate roles of the University Fringe Benefits Committee and the Senate's Compensation Committee, as they also work together.

A program of the ACES Committee is taking place on January 26th and Senate members are urged to participate.

Chair-elect Alexander noted his participation on the ERP committee for the new student information system which will initially be a \$18 million investment as we move to a PeopleSoft system. Central administration will fund the first year but subsequently those costs may filter down to the school level.

Planning of 2006 - 2007

Professor Alexander continued, saying that as the chair-elect he is suggesting a theme for next year's Senate of planning with a five-year view and goals. He will be visiting with faculty in various units starting soon and he invites feedback. The immediate responses were positive, with the suggestion that this be anchored in the Senate's Executive Committee.

Report of the Budget Committee

Chair Paul Gerhart reported that the committee has the first quarter closing projections and all seems positive. He cautioned that 2007 will be a tougher year as the Vision investment

funds are running out and must be also paid back. He will further discuss these items at the Senate meeting after the first quarter has closed.

Report of the By-Laws Committee

Chair Martin Resnick reported a busy schedule as the committee continues to review the bylaws changes of each school, working with the School of Medicine at present. He also summarized the changes proposed and approved by the UUF faculty for their bylaws which will be brought to the Senate soon.

Two agenda items - the proposed change to the nondiscrimination policy on gender and the report from the UUF Executive Committee - were postponed to the next month when Lynn Singer and Larry Parker, respectively, could be present.

Other Business: Dual Degree Proposal for a D.M.D./M.D. Degree

Dean Jerold Goldberg and Associate Dean Marsha Pyle addressed the Executive Committee with their idea and a detailed rationale for instituting this new dual degree. Their goal is for a very integrated and efficient program, but because both the School of Dental Medicine and the School of Medicine are in the midst of curricular changes, there has been no opportunity to develop a detailed curriculum plan yet they would like approval to begin recruiting prospective students now for a program which would, in five to six years, educate a fine group of future educators. Students would have to fulfill standards of both degrees.

Professor Laurita said that it is for the Graduate Studies Committee to review such proposals and they will require more details. As there is a sense of urgency to be in the lead with this proposal it was agreed that Dean Pyle and the lead person from the School of Medicine would meet with this committee as their next meeting on February 10th, and the proposal could be discussed again, perhaps at the February Senate meeting.

Report of the Minority Affairs Committee

As there was time remaining in the meeting, Spencer Neth reported that he is meeting with various groups across the campus who have similar responsibilities for minority affairs. He would plan to have a report for the February Senate meeting. He also suggested that the committee may bring a proposal to a name change for the committee to reflect an interest in greater diversity.

The meeting adjourned at the appointed hour of 11 a.m.

Lynne E. Ford Secretary of the Faculty Senate