

CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY

Faculty Senate

Meeting December 13, 2004, 3:30 - 5 p.m.

Toefer Room, Adelbert Hall

Minutes

Members Attending

James Alexander
John Anderson
Hussein Assaf
Bo Carlsson
Sayan Chatterjee
Francis Curd
Robin Dubin
Timothy Fogarty
Lynne Ford
Paul Gerhart
Stanton Gerson
Katherine Hessler
Susan Hinze

Jaikrishnan Kadambi
Patrick Kennedy
Carolyn Kerckmar
Elisabeth Köll
Joseph Koonce
Kenneth Laurita
Kenneth Ledford
Elizabeth Madigan
David Matthiesen
Georgia Narsavage
Spencer Neth
John Orlock
Theresa Pretlow

John Protasiewicz
Martin Resnick
Robert Salata
Paul Salipante
David Singer
Glenn Starkman
Roger Starks
Philip Taylor
Aloen Townsend
Kristin Victoroff
E. Ronald Wright

Others Present

Derek Bellin
Robert Bonomo
Lev Gonick
Caryl Hess
Sarah Horwitz

Jill Korbin
Robin Kramer
Virginia Leitch
Beth McGee
Dean Patterson

Joseph Prahl
Margaret Robinson
Timothy Robson

Professor Bo Carlsson, Chair of the Faculty Senate, called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m.

Approval of Minutes

The minutes of the Faculty Senate meeting of November 18, 2004, were approved as distributed.

President's Announcements

None.

Provost's Announcements

None

Chair's Announcements

None

Professor Starkman asked Provost Anderson about the process for getting faculty input on the strategic academic planning. Provost Anderson replied that he hoped it was under discussion in the schools as the deans had met on November 30 and would meet again on January 26. [CAS faculty will meet on December 16 and January 13.] He would like this process to mirror the budget planning in the schools. A representative from each school was able to state how this strategic academic planning was being carried out.

Chair Carlsson said that faculty input in a timely fashion was very important, and it was suggested that a special meeting of the Faculty Senate be held some time in February for discussion of this strategic plan.

Report of the Executive Committee

Professor Wright reported that the Faculty Senate Executive Committee met 1:00-2:40

p.m., Monday, December 6, 2004, Room 352, Adelbert Hall, chaired by Professor Bo Carlsson.

The Provost presented an outline of and update on the Strategic Planning Initiative currently being conducted within the University. Some concerns about full faculty involvement and input were expressed, but assurances were given that plans were in place to address these issues. Provost Anderson also announced the appointment of Sheila Pedigo as Director of the new Office of Undergraduate Research. This office will report to Deputy Provost Lynn Singer.

The Chair announced that a special meeting of the Executive Committee would take place on January 11, 2005, to review the University self-study document. The Chair also introduced a motion to approve the charge and membership of a new Ad Hoc Committee on Faculty Surveys. This motion was approved to be sent to the Senate for approval and appears as Item 10 on today's agenda.

Professor Matthiesen, Senate liaison to the UUF Executive Committee, reported that the UUF Curriculum and Executive Committees were working to confirm a process to review and approve the expected large number of new and revised courses for the SAGES program. He also reported that all UUF committees were constituted and working on regular undergraduate issues. Some discussion followed on how best to address issues where there was overlap between UUF committees and Faculty Senate committees.

Professor Narsavage, Chair of the By-Laws Committee, presented a proposal for change in wording in the Faculty Handbook concerning faculty summer compensation. After some discussion, the amended proposal was approved to be sent to the Senate for approval and appears as Item 7 on today's agenda.

Professors Jill Korbin, Arts and Sciences, and Sarah Horwitz, School of Medicine, presented a proposal for a new B.A. major in Public Health and a new degree B.A./M.P.H. program. After considerable discussion of the programs, the Executive Committee approved sending the proposals for consideration to the Senate and appears as Item 6 on today's agenda.

Professor Salipante, Chair of the Senate Library Committee, and Professor Madigan, Chair of Information Resources Committee, reported on the activities and issues under consideration by their committees. The Executive Committee approved the reports for transmittal to the Senate, and these appear as Items 8 and 9 on today's agenda.

The Executive Committee approved the agenda for today's meeting.

Proposal for New B.A. Major in Public Health and B.A.-M.P.H. Degree in Public Health

Professor Sarah Horwitz and Dean Jill Korbin made the case for the national need for this new undergraduate major and new joint undergraduate/Master's degree in the field of public health. This has been designed as a pre-professional, integrated program and sculpted around the five major areas for Master's in Public Health work. In response to questions, Dr. Horwitz said that the program will reside in the School of Medicine's Department of Epidemiology and Biostatistics and be jointly administered by the College of Arts and Sciences and the SOM. It is fully expected to pay for itself from tuition income, bringing in some new students and drawing some others from existing majors.

There was some sensitivity that other schools, especially the School of Nursing, were not drawn into the planning process early. Addressing issues of bioterrorism has been mandated for the county and the city and will result in some expansion of offering in Environmental Health as well. Dr. Robert Salata urged that they include in the curriculum emerging infections and international health issues where we already have established many connections.

The MOTION to approve the new major and joint degree offering was approved by a vote of 31 in favor and 1 abstention.

Report of the Library Committee

Chair Paul Salipante reported the Library Committee has been discussing ways in which the libraries can continue the positive momentum built last year in order to make major impacts on the University's learning environment. For instance, Kelvin Smith Library is initiating 24/7 service. The Library Committee's major efforts in this academic year concern:

1. Open Access electronic publishing, which makes scholarly work available for no charge in an online, archival repository. Open Access publications have proven to be more

- highly cited. Therefore, they offer faculty and the University the prospect of increased impact and visibility with their scholarly communications. The Committee's intent is to formulate a resolution for Faculty Senate consideration and to stimulate faculty dialogue. Targeted groups are faculty involved with strategic planning, promotion and tenure committees, and journal editorial boards. For further information, see the attachment, "Open Access Facts for Faculties and Deans."
2. Strategic planning in the academic units, working with faculty and deans to anticipate needed library support for their plans, and to make them aware of future transformative capabilities of academic libraries.
 3. Long-term resource support for the libraries, using a time frame of ten to fifteen years. The goal is to avoid the recurring problem of inadequate library resources by identifying new means of funding. One possibility several years hence involves renegotiating the federal government's overhead recovery rate for grants. The libraries are developing technology to document the use of library resources for those receiving government grants and to support a library recovery rate that is in line with that of other major universities.

Links and materials regarding Open Access publishing and transformative library services can be found on the F/S Library Committee's website, <http://library.case.edu/ksl/admin/facsen>.

Professor Salipante noted that the Open Access issues are: support for authors, electronic publication in the promotion and tenure process, some faculties not purchasing scientific journals, and educating scholars on Open Access issues. The Library Committee will meet again in January to work on these issues.

The ensuing discussion confirmed that there are a number of important/critical issues to be addressed, and Chair Carlsson said the Senate looks forward to continuing this discussion and that senators should be sure to bring these issues to their constituents.

Report of the By-Laws Committee

Chair Georgia Narsavage outlined the change being proposed, at the request of Provost John Anderson, to the Faculty Handbook granting the deans authority to authorize summer compensation for their faculty. The wording, old and new, were included with the agenda for this meeting.

A few questions were raised and answered, with a note that another aspect of the issue of faculty bonuses is to be taken up by the Faculty Compensation Committee.

The MOTION to approve the change in the Faculty Handbook in Chapter 3, Part Two, III Remuneration for Additional Services was approved unanimously, 32 - 0.

Report of the Information Resources Committee

Chair Elizabeth Madigan said there were no action items at this time, and their brief written report was included with the agenda.

- The committee feels it is important to educate faculty on using enhancements in certain classrooms and that this is an important factor in scheduling. UCITE is stepping up to aid in this educating.
- The Harbor backup system has not been replaced on individual computers, and there is ongoing discussion as to entitlement and costs.
- Communications from ITS to faculty, though improving, are still not always satisfactory.
- The dial-up modem PPP access phase-out will be postponed until June 30 from the announced January 1 deadline. The committee is concerned about commuter students who would have to pay up to \$30 per month. They will continue to look for lower cost alternatives. The university has not yet finalized the arrangements with SBC and Adelphia for at-home access service.
- The committee's upcoming projects include voiceover IP phones (VOIP), desktop videoconferencing, and new campus security officer for IT issues.

There were questions on the dial-up service; computer, jump drive and server back-up services; and the wish to further discuss entitlements, perhaps by the Faculty Compensation Committee. Lev Gonick noted some change in e-mails for alumni, giving them a forwarding address as a way to protect against spam and viruses. Also, further discussion was invited on

research computing issues.

Ad hoc Committee on Faculty Surveys

Senate Chair Carlsson introduced the charge and membership as included with the agenda. This small committee will be expected to make their report by April this year. It was noted that not all schools were represented but that members could be added as needed. The committee can address whether they need IRB approval, as suggested.

The MOTION to approve the charge and membership was unanimous, 33-0.

New Business

Professor Starkman asked about whether there should be a Faculty Senate committee for strategic planning with which the provost could work. Chair Carlsson responded that the F/S Executive Committee and appropriate standing committees might serve such function but that the issue would be addressed in the upcoming spring meetings of the Faculty Senate.

With business complete, the meeting adjourned at 5:00 p.m. for a holiday reception in the Stone Room.

Lynne E. Ford
Secretary of the Faculty Senate