

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Present: Bender, Guevara, Joeckel, Konecky, Nickerson, Purcell, Rinkevich, Rudy, Sollars, Steffen, Woodman, Wysocki

Absent: Anaya

Date: Wednesday, April 22, 2015

Location: Faculty Senate Office

Note: These are not verbatim minutes. They are a summary of the discussions at the Executive Committee meeting as corrected by those participating.

1.0 Call to Order

Nickerson called the meeting to order at 3:02 p.m.

2.0 Announcements

No announcements were made.

3.0 Approval of April 15, 2015 Minutes

Joeckel moved for approval of the revised minutes. Motion seconded by Rinkevich. Motion approved.

4.0 Unfinished Business

No unfinished business was discussed.

5.0 New Business

5.1 Report on Enrollment Management Council Meeting (Sollars)

Sollars reported that she has been attending all of the small working group meetings and one of the primary issues that was discussed was about how holds on student records for financial reasons are dealt with administratively. She stated that there was some discussion on best practices in course scheduling. She noted that the full Enrollment Management Council has another meeting scheduled to hear the end of the year report. Nickerson stated that he presumes the EMC is dealing with all aspects of keeping student enrollment and retention rates as high as possible. Sollars stated that efforts have been focused on how to preventively do outreach to help students. She noted that predictive modeling dashboards are being looked at by the administration.

5.2 Topics for Chancellor Perlman, VC Green, and SVCAA Weissinger

The Executive Committee identified the following topics of discussion for the upcoming meeting with the administrators:

- Rationale for the move of the Electrical Engineering and Computer Science faculty from the Peter Kiewit building. Will appropriate measures be taken in sufficient time to ensure that both office space and lab space will be adequate?

- Status of new hires in Electrical Engineering & Computer Science
- 60% cut in funds for temporary teaching hires for some departments in Arts & Sciences
- Outcome of Deans' Distance Education Tuition Committee
- Status of Extension Education Guidelines
- Coordination between TIPS Prevention, Clery Act, and Title IX
- Timeline for the next step of the Office of Civil Rights Report
- Update on salary increases
- Long term plans for Textron property
- Update on Health Center Relocation and New Facility
- 5% Assessment Fee Projections
- Timetable for hiring Chancellor and SVCAA
- Update on merger of Fine Arts and Architecture
- Potential collaborations with UNMC
- Difficulties for faculty members with joint appointments for getting promotion and tenure
- Overview of post tenure review – are any in process or have been laid off since the policy was created?
- Chancellor's Office Assistance with Revising UNL Bylaws

5.3 Summer Projects for the Executive Committee

The Executive Committee agreed to work on the following projects over the summer:

- Revising the UNL Bylaws
- Revising the Senate's Professional Ethics Statement
- Preparing a bill for the unicameral to have per diem expenses
- Planning for the non-tenure track faculty forum
- Continue working with Director Foster on putting Title IX language on Blackboard
- Possible tour of sustainable facilities on campus

5.4 Unit Level Bylaws – Are they fully binding?

The Executive Committee agreed to explore this issue as part of the revisions of the UNL Bylaws.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:52 p.m. The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be on Wednesday, April 29, 2015 at 3:00 pm. The meeting will be held in 201 Administration Building. The minutes are respectfully submitted by Karen Griffin, Coordinator and Tad Wysocki, Secretary.