

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Present: Anaya, Fech, Flowers, Konecky, LaCost, Lindquist, McCollough, Nickerson, Schubert, Shea, Stock

Absent: Berg, Franti

Date: Wednesday, November 17, 2010

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

Lindquist called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2.0 Announcements

There were no announcements.

3.0 Approval of 11/10/10 Minutes

The minutes were approved pending minor clarifications and changes.

4.0 Unfinished Business

4.1 List of Administrative Tasks

Nickerson provided details about some of the bulleted examples outlined in the draft list of issues that we might discuss with Vice Chancellor Jackson. Lindquist shared an additional example he received from a faculty member. The Committee will finalize the list and schedule a visit with VC Christine Jackson. Anaya asked how much we want to try to address and suggested we focus on several major issues. She said we should ask which policies are universal and which are in the purview of the unit.

4.2 UNL Handbook

LaCost said the document she was preparing isn't ready yet, as she was away on a personal matter. She asked that we put our discussion about the UNL Handbook on the December 1 agenda.

4.3 Possible Amendments to APC Expansion

Lindquist reviewed the two amendments to the motion to expand the APC that were suggested at the November Senate meeting:

- (1) Make the VCR a voting member.
- (2) Add language explaining how the two new members will be temporarily appointed.

Nickerson said he was in favor of allowing the VCR to vote and APC officers have been asked for an opinion. The Executive Committee was generally in agreement. A motion to

include the VCR as a voting member was made by Nickerson and seconded by Schubert. The motion was approved unanimously.

Lindquist said temporary appointments would be needed for the two new APC members if the Senate approves the amendment. Nickerson suggested that the two appointments could be made from the list of those who volunteered to serve on the APC. The Executive Committee discussed procedural options.

Schubert asked why the APC syllabus states that the APC may not include more than three members from the same college. The Committee discussed the discipline listings in the syllabus and whether the syllabus should be changed to state that no more than two from one college or discipline can serve on the APC at the same time. The Committee reached a consensus to recommend that the syllabus be changed to include no more than two members from one discipline. Lindquist proposed wording for the change: "...with two from each discipline area as defined by the Syllabus of Campus Wide Committees."

Fech asked where we are regarding inclusion of UNOPA and UAAD representatives on the Committee. Lindquist said the APC was supposed to act on the BRRRC documents at their next meeting.

5.0 New Business

5.1 Interview Questions for SVCAA Candidates

The Committee discussed a list of questions for the SVCAA candidates.

The Committee reviewed the interview schedule for the candidates and confirmed the availability of members to participate in the interviews.

5.2 Definition of Disciplines in the Campus-Wide Syllabus of Committees

Konecky motioned that we refer the issue of reviewing the definition of discipline areas included in the Syllabus of Campus Wide Committees to the Committee on Committees, and that we ask them to provide a recommendation by March 1. The motion was seconded by Nickerson. The motion was approved unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:45 p.m. The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be on Wednesday, December 1, at 3:00 pm. The meeting will be held in 201 Administration Building. The minutes are respectfully submitted by Karen Griffin, Coordinator and Pat Shea, Secretary.