

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MINUTES

Present: Bender, Dawes, Fech, Hanrahan, Konecky, Lee, Leiter, Purcell, Reisbig, Rudy, Steffen, Vakilzadian, Woodman

Absent:

Date: Tuesday, September 6, 2016

Location: East Campus Union, Arbor Suite

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

Woodman called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

2.0 Announcements

2.1 Vice Chancellor Searches

Woodman reported that the Chancellor will be announcing the four candidates for Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost soon. Purcell stated that the same was true for the Vice Chancellor of IANR.

2.2 ASUN Creating Police Advisory Board

Woodman reported that ASUN was creating a Police Advisory Board and were looking for a faculty member from the Senate serve on the Board. He pointed out that no details regarding the Board and its responsibilities was provided.

3.0 Approval of August 30, 2016 Minutes

Vakilzadian moved for approval of the minutes as revised. Leiter seconded the motion. Motion approved by the Executive Committee with two abstentions.

4.1 Unfinished Business

4.1 Decision on the Future of the Emergency Blue Lights

Leiter stated that the statistics presented by Chief Yardley at the previous Executive Committee meeting provide support to the idea to remove most of the blue emergency lights. He noted that the cost of upgrading the existing phones does not warrant the use of them. Rudy pointed out that Chief Yardley also consulted with the Chancellors Commission on the Status of Women, UNOPA, and UAAD. Leiter stated that parents were also polled and one of the overarching reasons for removing the phones is that nearly all students have cell phones.

Reisbig suggested that several phones need to remain should a student's purse or backpack be stolen and their phone is lost. Konecky pointed out that she would like to see parallel concerns with providing more charging stations for phones and more escort services. Woodman noted that Chief Yardley did state that both audio and virtual escorts

can be conducted by the Police on campus. However, he stated that psychologically seeing those phones is comforting. He noted that the phones in the garages would remain as they are paid by Parking and Transportation Services.

Rudy suggested that there needs to be advertisement that video surveillance is being used on campus which could be an equal deterrent. Lee pointed out that the money used for upgrading the emergency phones could be used more effectively for better security. Woodman suggested that more security cameras would be helpful.

Bender moved that the Executive Committee recommend that the blue emergency phones be discontinued except in front of the campus unions or where the Police feel they are needed. Motion seconded by Konecky. The motion was approved.

5.0 Unfinished Business

5.1 Best Practices Guidelines on Non-Tenure Track Faculty Members

Woodman stated that he is seeking faculty members to serve on a committee to develop the best practices guidelines on non-tenure track faculty members. He asked if the faculty members should be from the Senate. The Executive Committee agreed that faculty members outside of the Senate should be able to serve. Woodman suggested that an email message be sent to the Senators asking if they would like to participate on the committee, or if they know of colleagues who would be interested in serving on the committee.

6.0 New Business

6.1 Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance

Woodman noted that the Executive Committee has been in the process of establishing an ad hoc committee to work with Susan Foster, former Director of the Office of Institutional Equity and Compliance, but she has left the university. He pointed out that no official statements have been made and questioned whether there is an interim director and if that person will be willing to work with the Executive Committee to improve the Title IX procedures as they pertain to faculty members. The Executive Committee suggested that he contact Chancellor Green to determine if a permanent director is now in place. If so, that person should be invited to meet with the Executive Committee.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:40 p.m. The next meeting of the Executive Committee will be on Tuesday, September 13, 2016 at 2:30 pm. The meeting will be held in 203 Alexander Building. The minutes are respectfully submitted by Karen Griffin, Coordinator and Allison Reisbig, Secretary.