

FACULTY SENATE MINUTES
November 24, 2015

Present: Alexandrov, Angwall, Baltutis, Bentivenga, Cotti, Cortes, Eroh, Hones, Lancaster, Loewenstein, Pereksta, Price, Redington, Robson, Roth, Rutz, Scofield, Scribner, Simmons, Stojilovic, Westphal

Excused: Cole, Neal, Saginak, Sipes

Absent:

Administrative Representative: AVC Carleen Vande Zande

Academic Staff Representative: Greg Wypiszynski

Oshkosh Student Association Representative: Andrew Sprung - absent

Guests: Fredi Geisler, Jamie Ceman, Mandy Potts, Lori Halstead, Rich Marshall, Ivana Milosevic, Peggy Breister, Melissa Publitz

Minutes in Brief:

At the November 24, 2015 meeting of the Faculty Senate, the Chancellor's Study Group from IMC gave a recommendation report. A report was given from the Senate of Academic Staff. President Loewenstein presented the report from the last Provost's Administrative Staff, Shared Governance Conference, and Compensation meetings. The minutes of November 10, 2015 meeting were approved as amended. No action taken on new business items. Christine Roth reported on the Tenure Task Force Committee. A Budget Committee report was given by Senator Bentivenga. Meeting adjourned at 5:06 p.m.

President Loewenstein called the meeting to order at 3:12 p.m.

I. State of the University

A. OSA Report (Sprung) – No report

B. SAS Report (Wypiszynski) – Updates included: IT & IMC both presented their study group recommendations. There was a discussion about creating a subcommittee for contract language. OSA and Advanced Titan were discussed. SAS sponsored an academic staff social.

II. Guest: Chancellor's Study Group – IMC Recommendation

The committee reported their summary results via a distributed handout. They are recommending that staffing lines be centralized across campus. However, staff may be housed in current locations depending on percentage of workload and other key factors. A self-service option to help with smaller projects using a template will be created so that departments can use them. A liaison system may be created to be sure areas have a specific contact person to assist them on a regular basis. Campus gatekeepers will be identified, like the Duplicating Office, to help monitor duplication of efforts. Faculty Senate asked for details about the advisory council and academic freedom.

III. Minutes of November 10, 2015

MOTION: Moved approval of the November 10, 2015 minutes as amended by Price/Scribner. 1 Abstention. Passed

IV. Unfinished Business – None

V. New Business -

A. Resolution on Tenure, Program Modification, and Post-Tenure Review

1. Tenure Task Force – Senator Roth

Senator Roth noted that she appreciates all feedback, and hopes to relay all suggestions, issues, and concerns to the Task Force in Madison. She wants to be sure to represent the campus as a whole, and all input is valuable. She then took further feedback from senate related to the documents listed below.

2. Tenure Policy Task Force Agenda
3. Tenure Policy Task Force Minutes
4. UW Oshkosh Resolution
5. UW Madison Policies

VI. President's Report

1. PAS – Strategic Planning continues to be the key topic. Prioritization committees will begin meeting as soon as January.
2. Shared Governance Report – President Loewenstein and Senator Cotti spoke about the Advanced Titan issue. Senators expressed their continued concern over how OSA has approached the situation and the process they are using, especially related to how their actions could affect all of campus.
3. Compensation Committee – They will be considering the merit cycle and timeline for the upcoming salary equity.

VII. Discussion Items –

- A. Teacher retirement board Nomination have been requested by System
- B. System Strategic Planning Committees are looking for volunteers
- C. Review of D2L meeting is set for December 4th

VIII. Committee Reports –

- A. Budget Committee – Senator Bentivenga asked for input from senators about their charge, purpose and next project. They are set to work as needed with the Chancellor's Study Group for Budget.

IX. Items from Members – None

X. Information Items - None

Moved to adjourn by Simmons/Lancaster at 5:06 p.m.

Karl Loewenstein,
President

April Dutschek,
Recorder