APPROVED Faculty Senate Minutes – Wednesday, October 16, 2013

Attendance: M. Rahaman (A&F), J. Demarte (Art), B. Winning (Bio), D. Chou (CIS), R. Quiel (CMTA), Z. Bahorski (CS), M. Bluhm (HS), J. Koolage (H&P), K. Woodiel (HPHP), R. Baier (Lib), K. Banerji (MGMT), D. Barton (M&L), G. Dumitrascu (Math), P. Trewn (Nurs), J. Kullberg (PS), K. Rusiniak (Psych), R. Orrange (SAC), M. Wedenoja (SW), P. Smith (S.Ed), M. McVey (T.Ed), R. Fulkert (Tech.S), M. Zinggeler (WL), K. Schatzel (Provost), R. Longworth (P.O.), N. Monea (Std.Govt), C. Powell (CIO), S. Moeller (AAUP), R. Flowers (Grad)

Minutes from before John arrived:

Meeting to order 3:10
Minutes of last, 10/2/14, meeting ... Approved, no changes

Guest collegiate athletics director, Heather Lyke
Comments about student athletes ... " jersey never comes off" they represent emu, alumni, etc., so be aware of who you are as an emu rep.
50% on scholarship, 74% graduation rate
Community service example, 2nd and 7 Foundation ... Tackling literacy ...,   Looking for emu athletes to participate ... 800 books to give out to Ypsilanti 2nd grade classroom kids, athletes read, etc. ENGAGEMENT.
FERPA and hipaa waivers ... All athletes sign. Acad info can be given to advisors and upper admin, from Erin Burdis. Q about 74% gender breakdown ... More on female slide, but not
21 teams, 550 student athletes ... "Comprehensive excellence," determine initial needs
Program idea for faculty ... MVP program for outstanding teaching ...
Q about Title IX ... Can men be counted as women, e.g. Women's volleyball & basketball, male practice players registered with NCAA

Carl Powell & Arik Kirkland
Classroom technology, new in Owen and Marshall
Meeting with EEFC on Oct. 17 about classroom rollout
Carl wants to talk about support in classroom rather than the specific technology ... 1 VoIP phones, two buttons , 1 to police, 2 to classroom support

Arik's group is in charge of desktop technology and support ... The plan is to get faster response and send someone to the room even as the phone call for support is made.
[Plan to have a standard touch panel connected through the system that the tech can have control over to fix issue.]

4. Demonstration of classroom technology (C. Powell and A. Kirkland)

- New Classroom Support includes a dual strategy – (a) remote "takeover and reset functionality" option and (b) feet on the street – on every call. There's no queue for calls; if the "in house" person is on a call, then there is a function that sets someone from another building in motion to address the problem.

- After Hours service is available, but this is still being reviewed for needs and times.
- A number of the new features were demonstrated.
- Some stuff about the new VoIP phones.

5. Committee Reports

a. Faculty Senate Budget Committee (M. Rahman)

- The new Faculty Senate Budget Committee charter was presented to the full senate.
- This committee's main charge is advising the Office of the Provost on budget matters.
- Motion to approve: unanimous approval

b. Academic Issues

i. FAC Meeting Report regarding the International Center (J. Kullberg)

- BoR strongly approved of the proposal to put together the International Center, as did the Provost.
- This is a Faculty-led project, and will continue to be so.
- First reading of the FS Resolution regarding this project.

ii. Gen Ed Review Committee (J. Koolage)

- We don't yet have full membership on this committee.

d. Technology Issues

i. Acceptable Use Policy

- Focus was on the "purpose of the policy" – standard view: the goal of such a tool would be to protect us from malicious use of our information systems.
- Two target groups were identified: (a) students and (b) faculty
- The AUP that was going around last year has been destroyed, and a new one will be constructed.

ii. Computer Refresh

There was a meeting, and there will be some changes to the composition of this committee. IT Steering Committee has agreed to: 2 CAS reps and one from each of the other colleges and the library.

c. Institutional Issues

EPEO and new learning management system (LMS)

The composition of a possible committee to oversee this project is undergoing some review.
The Provost's Office has agreed to a faculty committee, working with reps from IT and EPEO, to find a new LMS. The committee will include 2 CAS reps and one from each of the other colleges and the library.

e. Other Committee Reports

6. Provost's Remarks

- Advising Update (R. Longworth)
  - Freshmen get a "temporary" registration PIN, which they will have replaced by their "permanent" one after they have a face-to-face advising meeting
  - This is part of an overall change to the advising process for students, and part of new pilot program.
- Degree Completion/Retention Plan (R. Longworth)
  - More focus group sessions have been added – they listed on EMU today, there will be an email regarding these sessions, and they are in the Student Center Auditorium, Oct 29 at 9:30-10:30 and 11:00-noon and Oct 30 11:00-noon and 1:30-2:30.
  - Last input from Faculty on these matters will be by way of Faculty Senate after the 2nd Draft is available.
  - Comments can be sent to the Provost's Office by way of their general email.
  - DISCUSSION included the "gift" versus scholarship distinction within financial aid plans, 15 credit hours as the target hours per semester was questioned, it was nice to see co-curricular activities as highlighted in this effort, some assessment of previous attempts to address this issue would be beneficial, our staffing profile (student to faculty ratio and PT faculty to FT faculty ratio) was briefly discussed this, some discussion regarding advising students on how to manage financial aid/resources as part of success in degree completion, some discussion regarding textbook costs as part of a financial aid package

8. Committee Appointments

- Academic Affairs Educational Environment and Facilities Committee
- Computer Refresh Committee – L. Zhang (CAS) appointed, S. Memmott (Lib) appointed
- eFellows
- FDC Advisory Committee
- General Education Evaluation Committee
- General Education Course Vetting Committee – D. Barton (GA&SS) appointed, M. Rahman (COB) appointed
- Intercollegiate Athletics
- Senate on Budget Committee

9. President's Remarks

- The software to keep track of committee appointees and etc will be running soon(ish).

10. Adjournment