

FACULTY SENATE MEETING

December 13, 2010

Members present: Seyed Allameh, Margaret Anderson, Scottie Barty, Diana Belland, Richard Boyce, Perry Bratcher, Carol Bredemeyer, Kim Clayton-Code, Ken Engebretson, Emily Detmer-Goebel, Chuck Hawkins, David Hogan, MaryCarol Hopkins, Yi Hu, Ken Katkin, Lisa MacQueen, Phil McCartney, Kim McErlane, Joe Mester, John Metz, Teri J. Murphy, Louise Niemer, Toru Sakaguchi, Steve Weiss, Jeffrey Williams

Members absent: Blas Puente-Baldoceda, Heather Bullen, Paul Cooper, Richard Fox, Rich Gilson, Nancy Hancock (sabbatical), Marc Leone, Alar Lipping, Caroline Macke, Ausbra McFarland, Jonathan McKenzie, Jacqueline McNally, Ban Mittal, Phil Moberg, Sara Runge, K.C. Russell, Patty Schumacher

Guests: Jim Votruba, Gail Wells, Vicki Stieha, Mary Lepper, Pat Moynahan, Greg Hatchett, Denise Robinson, Ken Rhee, Grace Hiles

The meeting was opened by Faculty Senate President Pro Tempore Carol Bredemeyer at 3:00 pm. The minutes of the November 15, 2010 meeting were approved. It was reported that Alar Lipping is recovering well from his surgery.

Guest Reports:

- **University President** (Jim Votruba):
 - Enrollment is strong for the spring: UG enrollment up 2.6%, Law School enrollments up and African-American enrollments up.
 - Budget restructuring is taking place: \$3.4M in savings have been identified for internal reallocation. An additional \$2M is being analyzed. Revenue is up \$1.4M and student credit hours are up 3%
 - The Huron Consulting Group will be reviewing university operations in order to suggest increased efficiencies.
 - A new diversity plan is being developed at CPE which will include NKU input
- **Provost** (Gail Wells):
 - Applications for the fall semester are up 23%
 - RPT binders have been reviewed and letters will be going out
 - 19 sabbaticals, 10 project grants, and 15 summer fellowships have been awarded
 - CITE open house will be Jan. 21
 - Professional Development opportunities via the Teaching Effectiveness and Enhancement Committee will be offered in the spring
 - Small arm tablet chairs will be replaced in classrooms throughout the university
 - Class size will be determined at the departmental and college levels

- **Faculty Regent** (Chuck Hawkins):
 - Next Board of Regents meeting scheduled for January 12, 2011

Committee Reports:

- **University Curriculum Committee** (Carol Bredemeyer for Richard Fox): The following Gen Ed courses were approved:
 - ART 291W
 - BHS 291W
 - EGT 291W
- **Budget Committee** (Ken Engebretson): The annual faculty survey is still available. Thus far, 200 responses have been received (about 20% of total faculty – target is 90%)
- **Teaching Effectiveness and Enhancement Committee** (Ken Rhee): Training opportunities will be available in the spring
- **Elections Committee** (Greg Hatchett): The following positions have been filled:
 - **Peer Review Committee:** Ron Shaw (**Alternates:** Tom Cate, Mary Gers, Teresa Elliot)
 - **Complaint Advisory Committee:** Sandi Turkleson, Nancy Campbell
 - **Financial Exigency Committee:** Jimmie Manning, Louise Neimer
 - **New Arts & Sciences Senators:** Irene Encarnacion (World Languages & Literature), Phil McCartney (Math & Stats), Richard Boyce (Biology)

Officer Reports:

- **President Pro Tempore** (Carol Bredemeyer):
 - 2011/12 Faculty Senate officer election nominations are due to Grace Hiles by Jan. 21, 2011
- **Parliamentarian** (Steve Weiss): Volunteers are still needed for the interim General Education Committee

Announcements: Graduation ceremonies are Saturday, Dec. 18.

The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Perry Bratcher, Secretary

