

FACULTY SENATE

Meeting #2 Agenda

September 13, 2000

7:45 A.M.

University Center, Room 205

Announcements

Approval of minutes from meeting #1

Report from President Hoops

Report from Vice President Reid

Masters in Health Administration

Masters in Occupational Therapy

Old Business

Discussion of Transfer policy

New Business

New Programs:

Bachelors in Applied Computer Science

Adjournment

University of Southern Indiana
Faculty Senate Minutes
Session #2
Room 205, University Center
Date: September 13, 2000

Approved

Members Present: H. Edwards, P. Hipps, R. Hoops (ex-officio), P. Frazer, M. Krahling, M. Kocakulah, R.L. Reid (ex-officio), T. Pickett, W. Rinks, P. Shields, A. White, S. Sullivan, B. Wilding

Guest: Dr. P. Fisher and Dr. M. Albin

1. Call to Order: 7:45 am
2. Minutes from meeting #1 were approved with spelling corrections. (Rinks, Sullivan)
3. Announcements:
M. Krahling made the following announcements:
 - a) Two agenda items will be added
 - 1) Dr. J. Cain, Chair of the Technology Committee, will be presenting a report to the Faculty Senate at the October meeting. Senate faculty members will review the list of technology issues/concerns at today's meeting to eliminate or to prioritize these concerns. M. Krahling will then present these issues/concerns to Dr. Cain prior to the October meeting.
 - 2) Faculty representatives for three university committees need to be elected. The committees include the Student Academic Grievance Committee, the Student Publications Committee, and the EEO Appeal and Hearing Board.
 - b) A subcommittee of P. Shields and M. Kocakulah will develop and distribute an instrument to evaluate the effectiveness of the Chair of Faculty Senate.
 - c) The presentation by USI Distinguished Professor Dr. J. Gottcent on September 13, 2000 was well received.
 - d) Founder's Day, recognizing faculty and staff with 25 years of service to USI, is Thursday, September 14th at 3 p.m. in Carter Hall.
4. Report from Dr. Hoops
 - a) Enrollment for this year has increased approximately 3½%. Benchmarks of student quality have also improved in that there were fewer conditional admissions and overall improvement in the test scores and class rank were noted.
 - b) Major focus for this year is the state budget and funding for the University. USI priority needs include moving the one time technology funding into the base budget, gain additional funding for the Science and Education Center, and obtain funding to complete a major renovation of the Rice Library.
 - c) The Commission on Higher Education makes recommendations to the legislature. Last year, the budget decisions closely followed the Commission's recommendations. The report from the Task Force on Economic Development made a strong case for the needs of the University. USI administrative team is

guardedly optimistic that the needed funding will be obtained. Funding received this year will have a major influence on the future mission of USI.

5. Report from Dr. Reid

- a) The Board of Trustees approved two graduate programs, Masters in Health Administration and Masters in Occupational Therapy. Both programs will now be submitted to the Commission for Higher Education.
- b) Business Affairs will now be distributing a monthly report on the planning and progress of current USI projects. Information may be obtained from Dr. Reid's office.
- c) The Spring 2001 University faculty meeting needs to be planned by Faculty Senate.

6. Old Business

- a) Grade Transfer policy – Faculty Senate will not act on this policy at this time.

7. New Business

- a) Dr. Fisher and Dr. Albin presented the Bachelors in Applied Computer Science degree. This degree will offer students two tracks, a business track or a technology track. The degree will be granted by the School of Business and will meet the Civil Service requirements. The curriculum was based upon the accreditation for computer science guidelines.
- b) Faculty Senate identified the following technology issues/concerns:
 - 1) Improved communication between the Computer Center and rest of University (high priority).
 - 2) Reliability concerns with campus network (high priority).
 - 3) On-site computer technician for immediate assistance (medium priority).
 - 4) Updating classrooms with hardware and software technology (medium priority). It was noted by Senate members that some Schools are accomplishing classroom updates through their own budget.
 - 5) Funding for campus wide software (low priority).
 - 6) Obtain Internet 2 (low priority)
 - 7) Establish Apple compatibility (low priority).
- c) Committee nominations
 - 1) Student Academic Grievance Committee – G. Valentine was elected to serve on this committee (Kocakulah, Wilding).
 - 2) Student Publications – P. Shields, G. Roux, and R. Roat were elected to serve on this committee (Kocakulah, Rinks).
 - 3) EEO Appeal and Hearing Board – W. Rinks was elected to serve on this committee (Kocakulah, Shields).

Adjournment: Meeting was adjourned at 8:55 pm (Kocakulah, Wilding).

Respectfully submitted,

Ann White, Secretary