

# **FACULTY SENATE**

## **AGENDA**

Friday, February 20, 2004

3:00 P.M.

UC 206

Introductions

Report from USI President H. Ray Hoops

Report from Dr. Linda Bennett, Provost and Vice President of Academic Affairs

Report from C. Christy Baker, Faculty Senate Chair

Approval of Minutes from February 6, 2004 (Meeting # 9)

### **Old Business**

Review and Approve Senate Budget Hearing Priorities

### **Other**

University of Southern Indiana  
Faculty Senate Minutes  
Session #10  
Room: UC206  
Date: February 20, 2004

Approved

Members Present: C. Baker, J. Bandoli, L. Bennett, ex-officio, P. Cashel-Cordo, J. Davis-Brezette, C. Ehlen, J. Evey (in lieu of S. Sullivan), M. Graham, B. Johnson, G. May, P. Doss, K. Rodgers, K. Valadares.

M. McCullough, Sr. Administrative Associate for Academic Affairs

Members Absent: H. Ray Hoops, ex-officio; S. Sullivan.

1. Call to order at 3:02 P.M.

2. Introductions were made. President Hoops was unable to attend the meeting. C. Baker will reschedule the President for a future senate meeting. It was also mentioned that the Economics Benefits committee appreciated the Senate's support of the sabbatical survey that they initiated in January.

3. Priorities were discussed for the upcoming Faculty Senate budget hearing. Priorities (in no particular order):

- Supporting the addition of 1 counselor position for the USI Counseling Center. C. Baker distributed information that justified the addition of a position and a discussion occurred.
- The addition of a part-time administrative assistant position to support the Faculty Senate. This position would report to the Senate chair. A discussion ensued: Would a graduate assistant suffice in this support role? Could the Provost's office not continue supporting the Senate as they currently do? The addition of a separate line item in a Senate budget was also discussed. This would comprise xeroxing costs and supplies.
- Supporting the addition of \$1000 to the current Integra Bank Distinguished Professor Award.
- Supporting a campus-wide testing center. A university-wide proposal is in the development process. It was noted that the original priority for a testing center focused on students with disabilities. There was a proposal to create a study group to evaluate the testing issues on campus.
- To support the need for faculty positions across academic units.

Discussion: Should we be voting on budget issues if we are not aware of all of them?

#### Voting of Faculty Senate Budget Items

- a) The Senate supports the request for an additional counselor position. (1no/1abstain)
- b) The Senate recognizes the need for additional faculty positions and strongly supports the allocation of budgetary funds for increasing FT faculty positions across all academic units. (All in favor).



- c) To have a separate budget for Senate to support a ½ FTE administrative assistant position + copying & supplies (2 abstentions).
- d) To add \$1000 to Distinguished Professor Award (All in favor).

Faculty Senate Budget Priorities

<b>Senate is supportive (in general) of the following priorities:</b>	<b>From a budgetary position, the Senate requests the following:</b>
1) The Faculty Senate recognizes the need for additional faculty positions and strongly supports the allocation of budgetary funds for increasing FT faculty positions across all academic units.	1) To add \$1000 to Distinguished Professor Award.
2) The Faculty Senate supports the request for an additional counselor position.	2) To have a separate budget for Faculty Senate to support a ½ FTE administrative assistant position + copying & supplies.

- 4. Minutes from February 6, 2004 (Session #9) were approved pending corrections.  
(Bandoli/Doss)
- 5. The meeting adjourned at 5:08pm. (Bandoli/Ehlen)

Respectfully submitted by Kevin Valadares, Senate Secretary