



CONGRESS

Monday, November 14, 2016

University Hall Room 111

3:00 pm

Congress Meeting Minutes-Approved

Attendance: Rebecca Hinshaw, Mary Howard-Hamilton, Denise Collins, Nandini Blowmiek
Terry McDaniel, Carrie Ball, Linda Sperry, Anna Viviani, Caroline Reader

Absent: C. Caruso-Woolard

Guest: S. Kiger

1. Call to Order by C. Ball at 3:05 pm
Introduction of Caroline Reader, graduate representative
2. Minutes for September 12, 2016 were discussed, minor changes were made, and then they were approved. Motion passed (A. Viviani; T. McDaniel, 6-0-1).
3. New Business
 - a) Curriculog Proposals
S. Kiger presented information about a change in the minimum grade for the course CIMT 402, from a letter grade of “B or better” to “C or better”, in order to be consistent with other grade specifications for courses within the professional sequences in: Professional Sequence All Grade (Preschool-12) Education Programs (Fine Arts & English as New Language) and Senior High-Junior High/Middle School Education. L. Sperry moved to approve and T. McDaniel seconded. The motion passed (6-0-1).
 - b) Predatory/Pay-to-Publish Journals
Associate Dean D. Collins presented information about predatory/pay to publish journals. It was noted that Edith Campbell, Asst. Librarian had provided information and links about predatory publishers and open-access journals. After some discussion, it was determined that Congress needed to have a statement and provide additional supports concerning this topic. This topic will be addressed in the next meeting of Congress.
4. Old Business
 - a) BCOE Promotion and Tenure Policies (Link: <https://www.indstate.edu/education/governance>)

Policies and Procedures for Faculty Reviews

C. Ball noted the updated changes in the document and opened the discussion on the language for the name of the committee. After some discussion, a motion was made to note in the document that the committee be called the Faculty Review Committee (C. Ball moved and L. Sperry seconded; motion passed 7-1-0).

5. Faculty Senate Representative Report

M. Howard-Hamilton shared that there is a change in the insurance provider and that there will be a technology refresh soon-we have had our computers for 4 years.

6. Dean's Report

Associate Dean D. Collins noted that we had a successful Sycamore Educator Day and that we will have future educators visiting as part of the Teachers of Tomorrow day. We are also expecting 425 K-2 educators to attend the Duke Energy Power of Reading Summit on Monday, November 21st.

7. Chair's Report

No report

8. Open Discussion

M. Howard-Hamilton discussed diversity funds and Associate Dean D. Collins noted that money is available. L. Sperry encouraged everyone to participate in assessment requests.

9. Meeting was adjourned at 3:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted by,
Rebecca Hinshaw, substitute Congress Secretary