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INDIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

FACULTY SENATE, 2017-2018

August 24, 2017

3:30 p.m., DEDE III

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Members Present: Y. Bai, L. Brown, S. Buchanan, B. Bunnett, M. Chambers, M. Cohen, D. Cooper-Bolinskey, E. Gallatin, K. Games, J. Gustafson, T. Hawkins, L. Henson, M. Howard Hamilton, M. Hutchins, D. Israel, B. Kilp, J. Kinne, S. Kopaczewski, A. Kummerow, X. Li, J. Liu, N. Nichols-Pethick, J. O’Keefe, L. Phillips, J. Potts, B. Roberts-Pittman, A. Solesky, F. Stewart, S. Stofferahn, J. Weust, M. Williamson, E. Wittenmeyer, K. Yousif.

Members Absent: A. Payne

Ex-Officio Present: President D. Bradley

Ex-Officio Absent: Provost M. Licari

Guests: None

1. Memorial Resolutions
   1. None
2. Administrative Reports:
   1. President D. Bradley
      1. Enrollment is on its way to a record with freshman enrollment up again. Enrollment of international students is down significantly. The student body is continuing to grow in diversity with more part-time students and distance students. Graduate enrollment is struggling, especially with the campus based Masters programs. It is hard to analyze right now because numbers are still fluid due to late registrations and drops.
      2. An architect has been hired for the Fine Arts and Commerce project. The company is Art Design, the same one that did the restoration on Normal Hall. The goal is to begin construction in mid-May 2018. Starting in January, faculty and staff in Fine Arts will move into the old nursing building so that preparations can be made. Health and Human Services (HHS) faculty and staff will have moved into the new HHS building by then.
      3. After two years of negotiations, ISU has decided that it cannot count on either the city of Terre Haute or Vigo County to assist in the remodeling of the Hulman Center and is asking the state to release the appropriation to ISU alone. We will know in about a month whether the state will approve. We could not get them [the city and county] to the table to talk finances, at least one entity has no money to appropriate. If approved, the renovation project is slated to begin in March after the basketball season is over.
      4. Biennial reviews are due soon. Faculty have a responsibility to engage in rigorous evaluations of themselves and each other and to maintain high standards.
      5. With the approved changes to the Promotion and Tenure (P&T) document in place [section 305 of the handbook], we need now to change the culture here at ISU and make sure colleges’ and departments’ guidelines align. The changes don’t hurt anyone but do help some. We need to make sure the new guidelines are used this year to help people as they go up for promotion.
      6. OUESTIONS [President Bradley had to leave early so the 15 minute discussion was moved up]:

(a.) J. Kinne: Is international enrollment dropping nationwide?

(b.) D. Bradley: Some institutions anticipated they’d see an increase but I haven’t seen the numbers. We’re down dramatically with the biggest drops from Saudi Arabia, China, India, and the UAE, which make up most of our international student population. We hope that this is happening nationally so that the issue gets taken seriously. The Saudis have initiated a 2+2 program. Students do their first two years in Saudi Arabia then come here for the last two years rather than doing all four in the U.S. so we can expect fewer freshman Saudis. We don’t think Chinese students will be as affected by the recent rhetoric.

* 1. Provost M. Licari
     1. None

1. Support Staff Report: E. Phillips
   1. None
2. SGA Report: T. Smith
   1. None
3. Temporary Faculty Advocate:
   1. None
4. Chair Report: L. Brown
   1. Welcome!
   2. I would like to introduce Morgan Brown. She is our new administrative assistant. She comes to us highly recommended from the Department of History where she recently completed a Master’s degree.
   3. The Faculty Senate has many first time members this year. Welcome, and thank you for serving.
5. Approval of Faculty Senate Minutes May 4, 2016 (File #1)
   1. Motion to Approve (J. Kinne, B. Kilp); Vote: 24-0-9
6. Fifteen Minute Open Discussion [completed earlier]
7. Selection of Parliamentarian
   1. L. Brown: The Parliamentarian must be a member of the Senate and must attend Executive Committee meetings, therefore it is easier to nominate someone who is a member of the Senate Executive Committee. The Executive Committee has nominated Brian Bunnett and is asking the Senate for approval. The Parliamentarian makes sure we are following proper procedure, untangles the discussion, and gets debate back on track. They must familiarize themselves with Robert’s Rules of Order.
   2. Nominations: T. Hawkins nominated Brian Bunnett
   3. Motion to Approve (J. Gustafson, S. Buchanan); Vote 32-0-1
8. Nomination University Athletic Committee—Pending Exec approval (File #2)
   1. L. Brown: The representative resigned from the university, so the spot is open. In cases like these, the Faculty Senate slates two candidates from which the president chooses. We pulled two names from last year’s survey in which faculty indicated a preference to serve on UAC: Jolynn Kuhlman, Cat Patterson.
   2. Motion to approve (K. Yousif, B. Kilp)
   3. D. Israel: Did we ask them again if they would still like to be on the committee?
   4. L. Brown: No, I didn’t (re)ask them.
   5. Vote: 33-0-0
9. Q & A on Faculty Governance (File #3)
   1. L. Brown: Perhaps we should go over these informally for the benefit of the new Senators and allow administrators to leave.
10. Adjournment
    1. Motion to adjourn (M. Williamson, M. Chambers); Vote: 33-0-0
    2. Adjourned at 3:55pm