

## Academic Senate Executive Committee Minutes

April 5, 2012

Present: Schmid, Holden, Chisholm, Browne, Snell, Trevisan

Absent: Van Hoeck

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of Minutes
- III. Report by Chair: President's meeting: dining hall facility came in at \$1 million over budget. Took out some of the fringe benefits, but still half a million over. Architect is required to do a redesign per the contract. This is holding up the dining hall and the bookstore. New VP of Finance is taking charge of this. Athletic field is finished.
- IV. Report by Vice-Chair: Nothing to report
- V. Announcements
  - a. General Senate meeting re-schedule due to mandatory Vessel Security Brief: Thursday, April 19.
  - b. President search update: First wave of candidates has come through the search company. Two-star generals to purely academic Ph.D.s. Second wave of candidates will hit the site soon. Process is in motion. 18 or 20 in the first wave. Seven or eight in the "A" ground. Two women.
  - c. MVL contract issues: Everyone was spun up, 23% pay cut for cruise lecturers. Outside contract for cruise. Contentious meeting. HR changed their mind an hour later. Language in the CBA allows for this. Could be an attempt to deal with the 200 million trigger cut anticipated in the fall. Could be an attempt to begin laying off faculty. Lowest-paid faculty on campus, teaching some of the most expensive classes on campus. No sign of laying off of administrators.
  - d. RTP meeting held last week for those in the pipeline, in place of the one in the fall. Terrific.
- VI. Standing items
- VII. Old business
  - a. Culture and Communication Department Chair election and appointment: unanimously elected Graham Benton as chair.
- VIII. New business
  - a. MT MVI RTP Guidelines : some discussion of the new changes, the definition of scholarly work...
  - b. Elections required for Faculty Development Committee (at large member). Peter Hayes is now the MT rep., so his old position is open. Needs to be tenured, elected by TT and tenured faculty.
  - c. Election to replace Jesse Cartee on Executive Committee

- d. Election for Statewide Senator (Snell's term expired).
  - e. Kathryn Marocchino's term on the senate RTP committee is up. Election needs to be held.
  - f. RTP interim review per Bunny Paine Clemes: People are doing mini self-studies, and it's becoming a problem for the reviewers. There is a form, but it has been overwritten; and the reviewers feel they have to write long letters in response. This is an onerous task. Let's get Lloyd involved, educate the reviewers (e.g. "stick to the form") and if there are further issues, perhaps change the response form. Discussion as to what the purpose of these interim reviews is.
  - g. General Senate meeting agenda
- IX. Adjournment