

Faculty Executive Committee Minutes

September 14, 2018

The Faculty Executive Committee meeting of September 14, 2018, was called to order by Chair Chisholm at 3:03pm in the Science Hall Conference Room.

Members Present

Ballard, D.
Badenhoop, J.
Chisholm, S.

Goff, N.
Jones, J.
Ochoa, G.

Orlikoff, J.
Pritts, C.
Vogtman, J.

Members Absent

Sydow, T.

Secretary Vogtman amended the minutes to replace “interim” with “acting” in regards to Lucas Taylor’s title. Dr. Badenhoop moved for approval of the minutes, as amended, of the August 17, 2018 Faculty Executive Meeting.

Motion Carried.

President Orlikoff reported the following:

- Compensation updates should be revealed within the next week.
- The search for Executive Director of Finance and Operations has been terminated, and will be reposted in January 2019 with hopes of having someone in position by April 2019. Until then, someone will be appointed as Interim Director of Finance and Operations.
- WVU-PSC will have agents at the annual retreat in Jackson’s Creek. Steven Starcher will be talking about PSC’s SAGE program.
- There is a Board of Governors presentation next Friday, September 21, that is open to the public. The day before is the executive session.
- The campus is reorganizing the Facilities department. There was a Facilities manager hired, and there will be three trade specialists hired as well. The goal is to build in a hierarchy of administration, so that there is more order and organization.

Dean Ochoa reported the following:

- Thanked faculty for participating in the retention efforts of the Early Alerts.
- There was one completed application for the Leadership Opportunity, and one completed application for the innovative grants.
- An email will be sent out later in regards to online compensation. All online preparations need to be approved by the Dean and the Division Chair before beginning. Compensation will then be discussed.
- The Library Project is about to move forward.

Faculty Assembly Chair Chisholm reported the following:

- Chair Chisholm reported that many faculty are appreciative of the pay increases.
- Faculty Development Grants are due September 21.
- MyExpense training had to be rescheduled.
- Dr. Agazie will be giving a talk entitled “Understanding HER2: The future of managing treatment-resistant breast cancer” in the Davis Conference Center on Monday, 24 September. This talk is sponsored by the Mary Shipper Library.
- There will be a revision of the WVU-PSC governance charter and the constitution. Hoping to have it to put before Faculty Assembly by November of this year, or January of 2019.
- IT Issues:
 - Windows 10 upgrade did not go well with some programs not responding to the change.
 - The Scantron machine needs a new computer. However, it can work without a computer.

- There is an issue with some of the document cameras on campus. Will be meeting with Instructional Resources to see if there a way to cost-effective way to improve the cameras on campus.
- There have been maintenance issues with the new delivery/package process, as well as complaints about the cleanliness of the Science Hall.

Division Reports:

- Applied Sciences:
 - Faculty discussed the length of the assembly meetings.
 - Discussion of compensation for unit coordinators.
 - Transparency questions with administration.
- Liberal Arts:
 - For the fall term, the capacity size of English classes was raised by 2 without faculty discussion. Chairs were made aware of it.
 - West Virginia State Legislature imposed further restrictions regarding computer use at High Schools. This will directly affect accessing E-Campus in classrooms.
- STEM:
 - No report.

Faculty Representative Reports:

- Dr. Ballard reported the following from the September 10, 2018 WVU Faculty Senate meeting:
 - President Gee reported the following:
 - In the past five years, the number of honor students has increased from 300 to 1,020.
 - The Blue Ribbon Commission, which focuses on the future of West Virginia's higher education, has concerns on the current educational system. The BRC would like to see more local input from local institutions.
 - There has been improvement in WVU-Morgantown's Greek Life since standards were raised.
 - Stressed the importance of WVU donors. The goal is to be at \$2 million per year.
 - Provost McConnell reported the following:
 - The Provost Office has been rearranged. Provost Campbell will focus on retention, whereas Vice Provost Paul Kreider will now focus on undergraduate education.
 - Funding for speakers at Festival of Ideas is limited, therefore it's harder to bring in high-profile speakers that are recommended.
 - Many WVU individuals received National Awards: Gay Stewart (Director of WVU Center for Excellence in STEM) received a National Science Foundation award for First2 STEM Success Alliance. Carsten Milsmann, assistant professor of chemistry, received a National Science Foundation CAREER award.
 - Provost Kreider reported the following:
 - Students were dropped who had bills over \$1,000 this fall. On August 27, there were 2,257 students who were dropped. Since September 7, 61% of suspended students were able to be reinstated.
 - Academic Leadership applications are available for the 2019-2020 program.
 - Chair Houser reported the following:
 - Chad Proudfoot, WVU Senate Parliamentarian and Faculty Secretary, will be leaving WVU to accept a job at another institution.
 - E-Campus courses can now be open when faculty consents.
 - The University Promotion & Tenure Advisory Panel is looking for ten faculty members to serve on the 2018-2019 panel. If interested, email Dr. Hauser.
 - Presented amendments to the Faculty Senate Constitution, which can be found as an annex with the minutes from this meeting.
 - C.B Wilson reported the following:
 - The new background check policy was presented to the senate. It can be found as an annex with the minutes from this meeting.
 - Full minutes of the September 10 meeting, and annexes, can be found [here](#).

- WVU Senate Executive Committee:
 - No report.
- ACF Report:
 - No report

Committee on Committee:

- Committee on Committees Chair Vogtman announced that they are working on finalizing a recommended document, “Chair Election Guidelines”, to use for committee chair elections.

Instructional Programs Committee:

- CIS 235 has been deactivated. Due to this deactivation, CIS 245 will have CIS 235 removed as a pre-requisite.

Proposed Faculty Assembly Agenda:

- Dr. Ballard moved for approval of the faculty assembly agenda: **Motion Carried.**

New Business:

- None.

Announcements:

- A request to IT has been made to help faculty attend FA meetings remotely.
- Constitution Day is September 17. There will be an event held at Church McKee Art’s Center where Professor N. Goff and Professor C. Pritts will be speaking on constitutional rights.

Adjournment:

- Secretary Vogtman moved for the meeting to be adjourned at 4:03pm. **Motion Carried.**

/ Kay Jones
Administrative Secretary