EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AGENDA SETTING MEETING
MINUTES
Thursday, September 6, 2018
2 pm, MA 211K

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Present: Aaron Ashley, Doris Geide-Stevenson, Edward Hahn, Marek Matyasik, Casey Neville, Clay Rasmussen, Hugo Valle, Mary Beth Willard, Catherine Zublin, Madonne Miner, Norm Tarbox, Patti Glover

1. Approval of the minutes from the April 5, 2018 meeting. Approved as circulated

2. Athletics Classroom Monitoring – Ryan McGinn – Class check policy has been formalized and is given to all new coaches. Coaches or academic personnel will check randomly to see if athletes are in class. They should not interrupt class in any way.

1. Athletics Update - Craig Oberg, Faculty Athletics Representative – WSU has no athletes with an APR score under 930 (multi-year) which would subject them to NCAA penalties. Current overall athlete GPA is 3.2. Implementation of a grade change policy took place this last year. The policy includes investigation of grade changes submitted for student-athletes when certain triggers are identified. This policy ensures that the student initiated the grade change request and that no undue influence came from Department of Athletics staff members, that the student-athlete was afforded the same opportunities as other students in the course, and that the grade change complies with applicable University and NCAA rules. A specific example would be if a grade change comes in that makes an ineligible athlete eligible. An email is sent to the faculty member making sure that there was no undue pressure exerted from someone, also asking if the accommodation given the athlete was offered to all students.

3. Computer Literacy Center(CL) Update – Brian Rague – CLC has Modules available as non-credit short courses to help get students up to speed. These have received support university wide, and are currently being heavily publicized to the colleges. CLC desires recommendations from faculty on modules that would be helpful to them.

4. PPM 4-19 & PPM 6-3 changes to UW grades - Brent Horn ASSA Chair The committee has unanimously passed draft changes to PPM 4-19 and PPM 6-3. The only change in 4.-19 is to direct to PPM 6-3. PPM 6-3 major change was defining the UW grade. Specifically, language was added to define what student participation means. The difference between an E and UW is that the student stops participating in a course. It was noted that International students want to fail, not get UW, because it may affect their immigration status. The committee suggested that section V.A. be changed so that a UW may (not will) require a UW for lack of participation. The ASSA committee will explore whether there are legal implications from this change.

5. Dean of Students Letter – Brent Horn ASSA Chair - Jeff Hurst and Stephanie Hollist have drafted a letter that addresses the issue of faculty rights and responsibilities when a student is trespassed from campus. This was an ASSA charge from last year. Since it is not policy and we cannot force the Dean of Students and the STAR committee to take a particular stance, ASSA did not hold a formal vote. However, the committee agrees that the letter presented meets the charge and is ready for distribution. They propose
the letter as an information item for the Faculty Senate body, and recommend that the letter be presented to deans at Dean’s Council for distribution to the faculty at large.

6. Ombuds Report - Kathryn MacKay, Ombuds – Kathryn was unable to attend, will give update next month.

7. Power and Duties of Executive Committee – Doris Geide-Stevenson, Faculty Senate Chair - There is a desire to bring important items from President’s Council to Faculty Senate. The Provost’s office has considered sending out an email on a list serve giving updates to policy, personnel, and upcoming events. This has been effective in Student Affairs. Another thought is an EC member being a liaison to University committees if that would be helpful to information dissemination.

8. Composition of College Curriculum Committees (CCC) - Doris Geide-Stevenson, Faculty Senate Chair – There is currently no policy on the composition of CCC, some concerns have come up from some of the college committees. Will ask UCC if college curriculum committee staffing is working.


10. Trustees Presentations for 18-19 - Doris Geide-Stevenson, Faculty Senate Chair Presentations to the Board of Trustees will continue to be presented by various colleges throughout the year.

11. Program Review Deep Readers - Doris Geide-Stevenson, Faculty Senate Chair All EC members are to read the executive summary and letters from the Deans. Deep readers will review the entire package.

12. Committee Charges – Doris Geide-Stevenson, Faculty Senate Chair. No changes, charges will go to Faculty Senate.

13. Committee Replacements & Chairs – Doris Geide-Stevenson, Faculty Senate Chair

   - Scott Hadzik, EAST for Lauren Fowler, S&BS (left WSU)
   - Kendal Beazer, HP for Macey Buker (left WSU)
   - Brent Horn, ASSA Chair, Amy Stegen CRAO Chair – assigned after April FS approval
   - Faculty Senate - Brent Horn for Vikki Deakin, Dan Hubler for Pam Payne

14. Other Items:

   - Tribute to Alicia Giralt and Larry Deppe – Electra Fielding will do eulogy for Alicia, this will move to the October agenda. It was decided that faculty senate recognition of deceased faculty members will generally be restricted to current members of the faculty. Presumably we will not always find out about retired faculty and this could become too time-consuming for senate.

Next Faculty Senate Meeting: Thursday, September 13, 2018, 3pm, Smith Lecture Hall, WB206-207
Next Executive Committee Meeting: Thursday, October 4, 2018, 2pm, MA211K