

**Academic Senate Executive Committee Minutes
Monday, September 28, 2009
(Approved)**

Call to Order

Senate Chairperson Dan Holland called the meeting to order.

Approval of Executive Committee Minutes of August 31, 2009

Motion XXXXI-16: By Senator Fazel, seconded by Senator Stewart, to approve the Executive Committee Minutes of August 31, 2009. The minutes were unanimously approved.

Distributed Communications:

The following communications were from the Academic Affairs Committee. The revisions to the policy reflect what is actually currently happening in regards to each policy. The items will come before the Senate as Information Items on October 7, 2009.

- 09.24.09.01** ***From Gabe Gudding/Academic Affairs Committee: Equitable Treatment of Students Participating in University Sponsored Events Policy – Revised (Information Item 10/7/09)***

- 09.24.09.02** ***From Gabe Gudding/Academic Affairs Committee: Community College and Other Transfer Students – University Studies or General Education Policy – Revised (Information Item 10/7/09)***

- 09.24.09.03** ***From Gabe Gudding/Academic Affairs Committee: College Level Examination Policy – Revised (Information Item 10/7/09)***

- 09.24.09.04** ***From Gabe Gudding/Academic Affairs Committee: Deans' List Policy – Revised (Information Item 10/7/09)***

Proposed Agenda for Academic Senate on October 7, 2009:

**Academic Senate Meeting Agenda
Date: Wednesday, October 7, 2009
Time: 7:00 P.M.
Location: Old Main Room, Bone Student Center**

Call to Order

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes of September 23, 2009

Diversity in Education Presentation (Shane McCreery, Office for Diversity and Affirmative Action)

Budget Presentation (Barb Blake, Office of Budget Planning)

Chairperson's Remarks

Student Body President's Remarks

Administrators' Remarks

- ***President Al Bowman***
- ***Provost Sheri Everts***

- *Vice President of Student Affairs Steve Adams*
- *Vice President of Finance and Planning Daniel Layzell*

Committee Reports:

Academic Affairs Committee: Chairperson Gudding

Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: Chairperson Kalter

Faculty Affairs Committee: Chairperson Liechty

Planning and Finance Committee: Chairperson Fazel

Rules Committee: Chairperson Solberg

Information Items:

Recommendation Regarding the Capital Budget Proposal (Administrative Affairs and Budget)

Recommendation Regarding the Operating Budget Proposal (Administrative Affairs and Budget)

09.24.09.01 Equitable Treatment of Students Participating in University Sponsored Events Policy – Revised (Academic Affairs Committee)

09.24.09.02 Community College and Other Transfer Students – University Studies or General Education Policy – Revised (Academic Affairs Committee)

09.24.09.03 College Level Examination Policy – Revised (Academic Affairs Committee)

09.24.09.04 Deans’ List Policy – Revised (Academic Affairs Committee)

Motion XXXXI-17: By Senator Stewart, seconded by Senator Spialek, to approve the Academic Senate Agenda of October 7, 2009.

Senator Kalter asked if the budget items should be placed on the Senate Agenda before the Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee had voted on them. She also asked if the budget was something that the Senate voted on. Ms. James stated that the Senate had never voted on the budget. The items would also not need to be placed on the agenda as Advisory Items since the Senate had received an “advisory” presentation on the capital budget and would receive a presentation on the operating budget on October 7. Senator Kalter asked if only the Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee voted on the budget. President Bowman responded that the presentation to the committee would be the opportunity to have input on the budget recommendations. He added that if issues could not be resolved in committee, then the budget would probably come to the floor of the Senate. Before removing the Recommendation Regarding the Capital Budget and the Recommendation Regarding the Operating Budget from the Senate Agenda, Senator Holland stated that he would investigate the history of the budget requests to ascertain if they had ever come before the Senate as Information Items.

The agenda was unanimously approved.

NOTE: Senator Holland could find no instance in which the budget had come before the Senate as an Information Item. Thus, the two budget items were removed from the Senate Agenda.

Discussion

Director of Human Resources and Ombudsperson

Senator Holland reported that he had had a meeting with Dan Layzell and Dianne Ashby about the HR Director search and the ombudsperson position. They have decided to cancel the search as there was no unanimous choice. Al Azinger is going to step in as interim Director of Human Resources and will also take on the role of faculty ombudsman. Senator Holland stated that he wanted the Faculty Affairs Committee to establish a procedure for vetting at least two faculty ombudspersons. Those individuals would receive training and some form of compensation.

Eldercare/Childcare Issue

Senator Wedwick asked about the eldercare issue on the Faculty Affairs Committee's agenda. Childcare has been resolved, but does the Executive Committee want the Faculty Affairs Committee to look into eldercare. Dr. Bowman stated that the biggest issue was how to pay for it. Senator Holland stated that this year it would not rise to a high priority. The Faculty Affairs Committee will, therefore, table the issue.

General Education Review

Senator Stewart asked about a study concerning General Education. Senator Holland recommended that the Academic Affairs Committee consult with Sally Parry. Senator Spialek stated that some honors classes will be surveyed concerning social justice for the Gen Ed review.

Adjournment

Motion XXXXI-18: By Senator Stewart, seconded by Senator Wedwick, to adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved.