

Executive Committee Minutes
August 23, 2010
(Approved)

Call to Order

Senate Chairperson Dan Holland called the meeting to order.

Approval of Executive Committee Minutes of April 26, 2010

Motion XXXXI-1: By Senator Fazel, seconded by Senator Marquis, to approve the Executive Committee Minutes of April 26, 2010. The motion was unanimously approved.

Presentation: Electronic Door Access (Chuck Scott, Facilities Management)

Chuck Scott and Eric Hodges of Facilities Management did a presentation on electronic building access. Brass keys may be replaced by special Redbird cards that allow access to buildings after hours. Doors would be able to be locked and unlocked en mass with a key stroke. The committee studying the issue needs a governance board to work on the prioritization of buildings in which to install the electronic equipment. Hirsch Electronic Door Access was chosen as the vendor. The cost to outfit the doors would be \$40,000 to \$50,000 per building. The committee is unsure how the project will be funded. The governance board will work on the formation of a university policy and the Surveillance Equipment Policy may be part of that.

04.14.10.01 From Susan Kalter, Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: Vice Presidential Commentary Surveys (3)

04.26.10.01 From Susan Kalter, Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee: Vice President for University Advancement Commentary Survey

The Vice Presidential Surveys were tabled at the last Executive Committee meeting. The Executive Committee agreed that there is a question on the University Advancement Survey that people may not be able to figure out. President Bowman asked who the audience for the surveys would be. Senator Kalter responded students, faculty and staff. The President said that he would like to see the raw data and a statistical analysis. Senator Fazel expressed concerns about the question "open and responsive to concerns". She said that that could be two questions. Senator Kalter will look at that question as well as any others that are loaded with more than one option. Senator Kalter suggested that all four surveys go out in the spring and that the Executive Committee could determine afterwards if the four surveys should go out annually.

Motion XXXXII-2: By Senator Kalter, seconded by Senator Horst, that the elected Secretary of the Senate be responsible for compiling the VP survey data and the statistical analysis and forwarding it to the Executive Committee. The motion was unanimously approved.

05.11.10.01 From Dan Liechty/2009-10 Faculty Affairs Committee: Ombudsman Code of Ethics and Standards of Practice

Before debating the merits of the Ombudsman Code of Ethics, the Executive Committee made a motion to change "ombudsman" to "ombudsperson". The motion was unanimously approved.

Senator Fazel asked if the HR Director would continue to be involved. Senator Wedwick responded that the HR Director would always be involved but that it would be expanded to the faculty. An Executive Committee member asked why the administration would choose the faculty. The person who would want to be a faculty ombudsperson may not be the right choice for the position. The Provost and the deans would know who would be the best persons to serve. Perhaps two faculty rather three faculty could serve as ombudspersons. This would permit a faculty member to speak to someone outside of their college. The committee needs to take a realistic look at how much time is involved. This could be expensive with a one to two course release. An Executive Committee member was not sure about a bullet point on page 7, sharing information. She stated that it was unrealistic to expect the faculty member not to share their conversation with the ombudsperson with anyone else. Senator Solberg clarified that the ombudsperson could not be compelled to share the conversation not the faculty member. There would be no limit on terms. An ombudsperson

could serve as long as they chose to do so.

Proposed Agenda for Academic Senate on September 1, 2010:

Academic Senate Meeting Agenda
Wednesday, September 1, 2010
7:00 P.M.
OLD MAIN ROOM, BONE STUDENT CENTER

Call to Order

Roll Call

Approval of Minutes of May 5, 2010

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 Dan Layzell***

Committee Reports:

Academic Affairs Committee:

Administrative Affairs and Budget Committee:

Faculty Affairs Committee:

Planning and Finance Committee:

Rules Committee:

Communications

Adjournment

Motion XXXXII-3: By Senator Solberg, seconded by Senator Kalter, to approve the Academic Senate Agenda of September 1, 2010. The agenda was unanimously approved.

06.30.10.01 From Jon Rubashkin, Senate Student Representative: Questions Re: Cardinal Court Renovation

A presentation regarding the renovation of Cardinal Court will be conducted by Vice Presidents Layzell and Adams early in the fall.

08.13.10.02 From Susan Kalter, Senate Secretary: Recommendations regarding several issues (Dist. Academic Affairs, Administrative Affairs and Budget and Faculty Affairs Committees)

Senator Kalter presented several recommendations. Due to the hour, she chose to table all but two. The recommendation to investigate the possibility of offering junior sabbaticals to faculty will be forwarded to the Faculty Affairs Committee for consideration. The recommendation to offer free tuition to spouses of faculty was rejected. President Bowman stated that if we complained about our budget and were offering this free tuition, we would hear about it in Springfield.

Motion XXXXII-4: To adjourn. The motion was unanimously approved.