

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY  
ACADEMIC SENATE  
PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE

November 5, 2012

Present: L. Beale; V. Dallas; D. Kessel; R. MacArthur; C. Parrish; L. Romano;  
A. Vlasopolos; W. Volz; A. Wisniewski; J. Woodyard

Absent with notice: R. Brown

In the absence of Provost Brown, Mr. MacArthur, the Vice Chair of the Senate, chaired the meeting.

The items marked with an asterisk constitute the Actions of November 5, 2012.

1. Changes in Administration: It was noted that Dean Robert Ackerman of the Law School has resigned and that John Rothchild has been appointed Acting Dean until an Interim Dean is appointed. Also, the Chair of the Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering has announced his resignation effective the end of the fall term.
2. Proposed Merger of the Henry Ford Health System and Beaumont Hospital: Policy Committee discussed the possible impact of the merger on Wayne State because many third and fourth year medical students do their clerkships at Henry Ford Hospital. Beaumont Hospital is affiliated with the medical school at Oakland University and the OU medical school will need to place its students in hospitals. Dean Parisi told the faculty in the School of Medicine that the merger would not affect their relationship with the Henry Ford Health System.
3. Development: The Policy Committee members who are on the committee reviewing the plan to increase the appropriation to the Office of Development and Alumni Affairs mentioned some of the issues they have covered in their meetings.
- \*4. Proceedings of the Policy Committee: The Proceedings of the Policy Committee meeting of October 22, 2012, were approved as corrected.
5. Type I Centers and Institutes Advisory Committee: According to the Statute governing the establishment and review of centers and institutes, the Policy Committee and the Provost appoint the members of the CIAC-I, the committee that reviews proposals for new centers/institutes and reviews requests to re-charter existing centers/institutes that report to the Provost. On behalf of the Provost, Associate Provost Margaret Winters submitted the name of Eugenia Casielles, (Classical and Modern Languages, Literatures and Cultures, Liberal Arts and Sciences). The Policy Committee submitted the name of Allen Goodman (Economics, Liberal Arts and Sciences). The parties agreed to the appointments.
6. Meeting with the Cabinet: Policy Committee was asked if it would be able to meet with the President's Cabinet on November 28, and it accepted the invitation.

7. Student Code of Conduct Committee Panel: The Policy Committee is responsible for appointing members of the faculty and academic staff to the Panel. Some of those nominated at the last meeting agreed to serve, but more have to be appointed to fill the openings on the Panel. Additional nominations were made, and the nominees will be contacted to determine if they are able to serve. The Panel hears cases of non-academic student misconduct.
8. Bylaws of the Department of Clinical and Translational Science: In August the Policy Committee, at the request of the Provost, reviewed the Bylaws submitted by the Department. At that time, Policy Committee commented on the policies and procedures in the document and the need to edit it for proper grammar. Policy Committee received the revised document at its November 5 meeting. The revision still contained provisions that are not in accordance with the Agreement between the University and the AAUP-AFT. Policy Committee members will revise the latest version and return it to the Chair of the Department.
9. Commencement Speakers: Traditionally the Senate President or members of the Policy Committee offer brief comments from the faculty to the graduates at the Commencement ceremonies. They were asked to do so for the December 2012 and the May 2013 ceremonies and faculty were assigned to do so.
10. Rankings: A Senate member offered to make a presentation to the full body about several ranking schemes and WSU's position in them. Policy Committee suggested additional information that might be included in the presentation. Mr. Romano will follow up on the suggestions.
11. Report from the Liaison to the Facilities, Support Services and Technology Committee: Mr. MacArthur mentioned that the Facilities, Support Services and Technology Committee would meet on November 8 and that Vice President for Finance and Business Operations Rick Nork would make a presentation. Policy committee members mentioned problems related to construction and with the manner in which contracts for construction are handled.
12. Retention and Graduation Data: Mr. Romano will present information about the admission, retention, and graduations rates of first time in any college students (FTIACS) at the November 7 Senate meeting.

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Approved as submitted at the Policy Committee meeting of November 12, 2012