

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY
ACADEMIC SENATE
PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE

April 27, 2009

Present: N. Barrett; C. Parrish; L. Romano; A. Vlasopolos; W. Volz; A. Wisniewski;
S. Wolfson; J. Woodyard; R. Yamazaki

Absent with notice: V. Dallas; J. Whittum-Hudson

Guest: K. Feathers

The items marked with an asterisk constitute the Actions of April 27, 2009.

1. Report from the Chair: Provost Barrett reported that the number of applications for freshmen are up but the number of applications for graduate students for the fall 2009 term are down. Policy Committee talked about the need for recruiting strategies for graduate students.
2. Smoking Survey: At the request of the Policy Committee, the Elections, Faculty Affairs, and Student Affairs Committees are conducting a survey of faculty, staff, administrators, and students about smoking on campus and whether the campus should be smoke-free. Although the survey continues until 5:00 p.m. on April 27, Karen Feathers, a member of the Elections Committee, and Naida Simon, Chair of the Student Affairs Committee, prepared a draft report for today's Policy Committee meeting. The draft report will be sent to the Faculty Affairs, Student Affairs, and Elections Committees for comment. When those committees have written the final report, it will be given to the Policy Committee.

The draft report was based on the survey responses as of late morning on April 25. Ms. Feathers attended the meeting to review the results and to respond to questions from the Policy Committee. Policy Committee asked Ms. Feathers to present the draft report to the Senate at the May 6 meeting.

[Ms. Feathers left the meeting.]

- *3. Proceedings of the Policy Committee: The Proceedings of the Policy Committee meeting of April 20, 2009, were approved as modified.
4. Agenda for the May 6 Senate Meeting: Policy Committee approved the drafted agenda for the Academic Senate meeting of May 6, 2009, as submitted.
5. Board of Governors Meeting: Mr. Volz said that the main topic of discussion at the meeting of the Board of Governors Budget and Finance Committee of April 22 was the need based grant program. Tuition for students in the M.D. program was increased 3% for the 2009-2010 academic year.

Approved as submitted at the Policy Committee meeting of May 4, 2009