WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY
ACADEMIC SENATE
PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE
May 16, 2016

Present: J. Artiss; L. Beale; D. Kessel; C. Parrish; L. Romano; B. Roth; N. Simon; W. Volz; A. Wisniewski

Absent with notice: V. Dallas; M. Winters

In the absence of Provost Winters, Joseph Artiss, the Vice Chair of the Academic Senate, chaired the meeting.

The items marked with an asterisk constitute the Actions of May 16.

1. Report from the Senate President:
   a. General Education Reform Committee: The Policy Committee discussed the proposal for the new general education curriculum that is being developed by the General Education Reform Committee.
   b. Student Parking: The administration will run a pilot program for first-time-in-any-college students (FTIACS) starting in the fall term. The pilot will be funded from a one-time source. Mr. Romano will chair a committee that will evaluate the pilot program.
   c. Associate Vice President: The search for the Associate Vice President for Budgets and Planning continues. As of June 1, Robert Kohrman, the current Associate Vice President, will transfer full-time to the School of Medicine.
   d. NSF INCLUDES Grant: Wayne State submitted a pre-proposal for the National Science Foundation’s INCLUDES Grant. INCLUDES is the acronym for Nation of Communities of Learners of Underrepresented Discoverers in Engineering and Sciences. The purpose of the grant is to increase the number of underrepresented minorities and women for careers in the STEM fields. WSU was one of 100 applicants out of a total of 800 submissions that has been invited to submit a proposal.

*2. Proceedings of the Policy Committee: The Policy Committee approved the Proceedings of its meeting of May 2, 2016, as amended.

*3. Tuition for the 2016-17 Academic Year: The Academic Senate Budget Committee wrote a memo to the Board of Governors supporting an increase in tuition for the 2016-2017 academic year “by a level close to or at the 4.8% amount permitted under the State of Michigan budget.” The Policy Committee reviewed the Budget Committee’s memo and unanimously agreed with its contents. The memo will be sent to the Board of Governors and to President Wilson.

4. Developmental Disabilities Institute: Sharon Milberger, the Director of the DDI, asked that the name of the Institute be changed to the Michigan Developmental Disabilities Institute (MI-DDI) for WSU’s internal use. The request is being made to
clarify the responsibilities of the Institute. DDI is the University Center of Excellence on Developmental Disabilities for Michigan. It is federally mandated to provide statewide education, community support, research, and information on disabilities issues. Policy Committee supported the change.

5. **Hilberry Theatre**: Matthew Seeger, Dean of the College of Fine, Performing and Communication Arts, John Wolf, Chair of the Department of Theatre and Dance, and Norah Duncan, Chair of the Music Department, met with the Committee on May 2 seeking support for the Hilberry Gateway Project. Dean Seeger invited the Policy Committee to tour the facilities. The tour is scheduled for June 13.

6. **Summer Schedule**: Policy Committee scheduled its meetings for the summer months.

7. **General Education**: Policy Committee returned to a discussion of the proposed general education program. Ms. Simon distributed information about general education requirements from the 1963-64 University Bulletin and the requirements from the 1990s for students who were obligated to satisfy general education requirements. At a future meeting, Policy Committee will continue its review and discussion of the proposed program.

Approved as corrected at the Policy Committee meeting of June 6, 2016