

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY
ACADEMIC SENATE
PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE

February 26, 2018

Present: L. Beale; B. Roth; r. hoogland; D. Kessel; C. Parrish; L. Romano; N. Simon;
W. Volz; K. Whitfield

Absent with notice: V. Dallas

The item marked with an asterisk constitutes the Action of February 26, 2018.

1. Report from the Chair:
 - a. The search committee for the Dean of Liberal Arts and Sciences has narrowed the candidates to ten. The pool of candidates is strong. The airport interviews will be held March 13 and 14. The committee that reviewed the College is preparing its report. Provost Whitfield would like to have the report available for the final candidates for the deanship.
 - b. The 2N Committee on Online Education has been established with three members from the administration and two representing the AAUP-AFT. Policy Committee will nominate another faculty member.
2. Administrative Search: Mr. Volz is a member of the search committee for the Assistant Vice President for Human Resources. The search firm identified ten candidates.
3. Apportionment: Associate Provost for Academic Personnel Ellen Barton provided the data Mr. Romano uses to determine the number of representatives the schools/colleges/divisions will have on the Academic Senate in the 2018-2019 academic year. The total number of members remains at 82. The number of faculty and academic staff in the Division of Academic Affairs increased from 114 to 137 in the last year gaining another position on the Senate. The number of faculty and academic staff in the School of Medicine decreased by 32 positions resulting in a loss of one seat on the Senate.
4. YouTube Video: A member objected to the video posted on YouTube to inform students about the S.M.A.R.T. Check process to withdraw from a class and how it affects financial aid and the student's academic progress. Many people reacted negatively to the video. It was meant to be humorous but it has been received as inappropriate and demeaning.
5. Budget Planning Council: Mr. Volz is a member of the Budget Planning Council (BPC). He thought the presentations by the Deans and the Vice Presidents did not provide enough data on which to develop a budget. Ms. Beale, who also serves on the BPC, mentioned that the presentations focus on the initiatives the Administrators would like to carry out; they do not focus on data.

- *6. Proceedings of the Policy Committee: The Committee approved the Proceedings of its meeting of February 19, 2018, as amended.
7. Michigan Transfer Agreement: There is disagreement about the general education requirements that transfer students are to complete in the prior program and how they compare with the new requirements. This will be on the agenda of the March 5 meeting.
8. Distribution of Financial Aid: The Policy Committee has been communicating with Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management Dawn Medley about the way financial aid is being distributed. The Committee received her reply to its memo of January 24, but questions remain. Mr. Romano will send the questions to the Provost.

[Provost Whitfield left the meeting.]

9. 2N Committee on Online Education: Policy Committee nominated a third faculty member to serve on the Committee.
10. Agenda for the Academic Senate Meeting: Policy Committee reviewed the agenda for the March 7 Senate meeting.

Approved as submitted at the Policy Committee meeting of March 5, 2018