

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY
ACADEMIC SENATE
PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE

June 19, 2017

Present: L. Beale; V. Dallas; D. Kessel; L. Romano; B. Roth (via Skype); N. Simon;
W. Volz; K. Whitfield; A. Wisniewski

Absent with notice: C. Parrish; A. Rothe

The item marked with an asterisk constitutes the Action of June 19, 2017.

1. Report from the Chair:
 - a. Provost Whitfield is writing a policy that would prohibit faculty from concurrently having an appointment at Wayne State and at another university. He will send the draft to the Policy Committee for comment.
 - b. The search firm Witt/Kieffer will assist in the search for the Dean of Social Work.
 - c. Provost Whitfield agrees with most of the recommendations of the Graduate Assistant Allocation Committee. He will discuss the recommendations with Dean of the Graduate School Ambika Mathur.
2. Report from the Senate President: Mr. Romano distributed the list of symposia that will be part of the sesquicentennial celebration.
- *3. Proceedings of the Policy Committee: Policy Committee approved the Proceedings of its meeting of June 5, 2017, as submitted.
4. Mathematics Competency: Mr. Romano asked if the number of students who have graduated without completing the mathematics competency requirement was available. The Provost said that the data has to be compiled by hand. A PC member said that colleges should have the data for their students.
5. Enrollment: Policy Committee received the enrollment figures for the week of June 5 that compares fall 2017 to fall 2016.
6. Endowed Professorships and Endowed Chairs: For many years the Policy Committee has recommended that the Development Office solicit funding for endowed professorships and endowed chairs. Provost Whitfield has encouraged the Office to seek such funding. He obtained a list of the endowed chairs and endowed professorships by school/college/division and gave it to the Policy Committee. Policy Committee members noted that it is common in universities to have many endowed professorships. These can be at a lower funding level than other donations. The titles are given in recognition of the accomplishments of faculty. The donors support the faculty's teaching, research, and service activities.
7. Diversity Campus Climate Study: Associate Provost for Diversity and Inclusion and Chief Diversity Officer Marquita Chamblee asked the Policy Committee to

recommend a member of the Academic Senate to be interviewed as part of the study. Ms. Beale and Ms. Simon volunteered to be interviewed.

8. Board of Governors Meeting: The Academic Affairs Committee, the Budget and Finance Committee, and the Personnel Committee of the Board of Governors, as well as the full Board meet June 23. Mr. Volz is the faculty representative to the Personnel Committee. Policy Committee discussed the Affirmative Action Status Report. The number of women and minorities employed for the period November 2015 to November 2016 is the same as for the two previous years.
9. Faculty Representatives to Board Committees: Mr. Romano will serve as the faculty alternate representative to the Board's Academic Affairs Committee for the meeting of June 23.
10. WSU Foundation: Policy Committee received the report of the Strategic Investment Group, which manages the Foundation's investment portfolio. As of May 31, 2017, the rate of return on investments for the fiscal year is 6.7%.
11. Parking: Timothy Michael, Associate Vice President, Business Operations, met with the Budget Committee to discuss issues related to parking on campus, including the cost of parking. Students who enroll in the assigned parking program or use their OneCard currently pay \$287 per semester. In fall 2017 the price will drop to \$227. The experiment that allowed first-time-in-any-college students to park free on campus did not result in students' taking more classes.
12. Faculty Mentoring: Ms. Beale is the Policy Committee liaison to the Faculty Affairs Committee (FAC). The FAC is preparing two recommendations related to faculty mentoring. One is that the survey of faculty about mentoring be expanded to include all tenure-track and tenured faculty. The previous survey had been given only to faculty who were tenured in the previous four years. The second recommendation is that the University join the National Center on Faculty Development and Diversity. Krista Brumley, the Chair of FAC, will provide more information.

Approved as submitted at the Policy Committee meeting of July 17, 2017