

WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY

ACADEMIC SENATE

PROCEEDINGS OF THE POLICY COMMITTEE

September 24, 2012

Present: L. Beale; R. Brown; V. Dallas; R. MacArthur; C. Parrish; L. Romano;  
A. Vlasopolos; A. Wisniewski; J. Woodyard

Absent with notice: D. Kessel; W. Volz

The items marked with an asterisk constitute the Actions of September 24, 2012.

1. Report from the Chair:

- a. The search committee for the Associate Provost and Director of the Office for Teaching and Learning (OTL) has identified four candidates who will visit campus. They will meet with the Policy Committee.
- b. The search committee for the Dean of Business Administration has been formed.
- c. The self-study of the Law School is underway. Provost Brown will meet with all faculty in the School.

[Mr. Parrish arrived.]

- d. The College of Nursing will also be reviewed this year, and the Provost is meeting with the faculty in Nursing.
- e. The search for a new Director of Counseling and Psychological Services will be conducted. The current Director had accepted the position for only two years.
- f. Provost Brown is holding town hall meetings to learn how faculty want the Graduate School to be structured. The Graduate Council is discussing the issue, as well.

[Ms. Vlasopolos arrived.]

2. Report from the Senate President

- a. Mr. Romano is on the search committee for the Director of the OTL. He believes the process is working well and the search firm has identified good candidates. The OTL will not only affect faculty development but will affect online and hybrid courses.
- b. Mr. Romano is the Academic Senate liaison to the Graduate Council, which held its first meeting of the academic year on September 19. In the Council's discussion of the structure of the Graduate School no one mentioned combining the School with the Research Office. Mr. Romano believes the responsibility for some Masters programs should be moved into the colleges.

\*3. Proceedings of the Policy Committee: The Proceedings of the Policy Committee meeting of September 10, 2012, were approved as modified.

- \*4. Motion from the September 5 Academic Senate Meeting: At its September 5 meeting, the Senate passed a motion asking the Policy Committee to develop a motion of censure for Vice President Nork and Associate Vice President Kohrman if the requested changes were not made in the FY 2012 Budget Book before the next Senate meeting. Mr. Woodyard has tried to get the record changed for several months and Mr. Kohrman had said the changes would be made but they have not been made.

Although there was agreement that the members of the administration should not be censured, there was disagreement how to resolve the impasse. The Provost pointed out that the budget system would be changed to include a tracking system for changes in the budget.

The Policy Committee passed the following motion: (1) that the Academic Senate not censure Mr. Kohrman or Mr. Nork at this time; (2) that after the Policy Committee meeting the Provost and Mr. Romano speak with Mr. Kohrman about adding the dates for the changes made on pages 13 and 14 of the FY 2012 Budget Book; (3) that Mr. Romano suggest to Mr. McIntyre, the Chair of the Senate's Budget Committee, that Mr. Kohrman and Mr. Nork describe the new budget process to the Budget Committee; (4) that at the next meeting of the President's Cabinet and the Policy Committee the Policy Committee request a description of the new budget process; and (5) that Mr. Romano report the resolution of this issue to the Senate at its next meeting.

5. Enrollment: A member questioned the enrollment figures for the fall term and the trend for future enrollment. Mr. Romano will ask the Registrar for the information.
6. Financial Expenditure Data of Centers and Institutes: Policy Committee reviewed the data for fiscal year 2011 for the Type I Centers and Institutes, the University centers and institutes that report to the Provost, and the Type II Centers and Institutes, the University centers and institutes that report to the Vice President for Research. They specifically looked at the data for the Center for Molecular Medicine and Genetics and the Institute of Environmental Health Sciences. They are concerned that the amount of general fund money allocated to the centers/institutes is significantly less than the amount these institutes receive in indirect costs.
7. Report of the Online Task Force: Policy Committee received the Final Report and Recommendations of the Online Instruction Task Force: Guidelines and Standards of Practice for Online Programs and Courses at Wayne State University dated July 2012. Policy Committee will invite Ahmad Ezzeddine, Associate Vice President for Educational Outreach and International Programs, and James Mazoue, Director of Online Programs, to discuss how the recommendations would be implemented.
8. Operational Review of Research Administration: Policy Committee received the report of the Huron Consulting Group (HCG). The members objected to being listed in the report as declining the invitation to meet with the consultants from HCG since most had not received an invitation to meet with the consultants. Policy Committee will notify the administration that they did not receive the invitation.

9. Committee to Implement the Recommendations in the Report of the Research Administration: Policy Committee nominated faculty to serve on this committee that Vice President for Research Hilary Ratner is forming to implement the recommendations.
10. Review Committee of the College of Nursing: At the request of the Provost, Policy Committee suggested faculty to serve on the review committee.
11. Review Committee of the Law School: At the request of the Provost, Policy Committee began the process of suggesting faculty to serve on the review committee.
12. Draft Agenda for October 10 Senate Meeting: Policy Committee reviewed the draft agenda.

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Approved as submitted at the Policy Committee meeting of October 8, 2012