

Indiana University Southeast  
Faculty Senate Minutes  
November 19, 2009 10-5 UC 127  
Fran Squires, President

Members present: President Squires, George Harvey, Jack Ramey, Bill Sweigart, Rebecca Carlton, Liam Felsen, Brian Harper, Chris Bjornson, Johnny Alse, David Eplion, Tom Lambert, Bill Jamski, Jim Hollenbeck, Robin Fankhauser, Melanie Hughes, Victor Waingeh, Elaine Haub, John Doyle, David Taylor, Sridhar Ramachandran, Pam Connerly, Jackie Reid, Bill Farrell, Donna Dahlgren, Kelly Ryan

Absent with Alternate: Jean Abshire (Joe Wert),

Absent without Alternate: Yan He, Luz Huntington-Moskos, John Finnegan,  
Administration, Ex Officio Faculty, Professional Staff Council present: Chancellor Patterson-Randles, Gil Atnip, Ruth Garvey-Nix, Dana Wavle, Emmanuel Otu, Marty Rosen, Jay White, Kathleen Norvell, Greg Roberts, Bill McGuire, James Bonsall, SGA, Sandra Gordon, Joe Wert, UFC

Guests: Kyle Forinash, Ben Nassim

President Squires called the meeting to order. The roll was passed with instructions to sign for yourself or indicate if you were attending for someone else. A motion was made to approve the minutes. The minutes were approved as read.

Chancellor's Report: **(1)** The Medallion Dinner was a huge success. There were 456 persons in attendance with gross receipts at nearly \$90,000. Expenses haven't been taken out yet but the net is estimated to be in the range of \$40,000. The award recipients were Jim Keith and the late Dean of the School of Nursing, Lillian Yeager. **(2)** The Education Purdue Technology Building – the State Legislature, the Budget Committee and the Governor have yet to approve the funding for this building. IU has decided to go ahead with the design and on Nov. 25, four architectural firms will be interviewed here on campus to see which one will actually be doing the design work. IU is providing some temporary funding for this phase of the work. **(3)** State budget – September revenues were off \$166 million from the forecast and the State tax collections for October came in at \$46 million lower than the projections; this is the 4<sup>th</sup> consecutive month that the projections have been wrong. The Chancellor gave a very comprehensive report on the budget with different possibilities. She said she would be sharing the numbers again in a budget e-mail to the campus. The question was asked what the faculty could do to help with some of these things particularly with the enrollment change no longer looking at credit hours at the beginning of the semester but at the end of the semester. She encouraged the faculty to not lower their standards just to keep people in classes so that we get the credit hours. She emphasized the importance of keeping the quality of education high. **(4)** The other issue she addressed was enrollment. Seven different enrollment scenarios were developed. One was picked that would hopefully get something reasonable and manageable in terms of headcount and increase in credit hours. She said they are looking at some enrollment controls in case growth becomes an issue; they want to be prepared for these situations. **(5)** Strategic Plan – The committee has a semi-final draft at this point and the sub-committees are going out to groups on campus and in the local community getting feedback on the goals and initiatives. Meetings will be resumed at the beginning of January and around the 3<sup>rd</sup> week in January they will be floating a draft of the new Strategic Plan out to the campus for comments. They will hopefully wrap up this work by the end of February or the end of March. A draft will be available by the time the NCA review team visits the campus in April. **(6)** Honors – Our part-time MBA program ranked 9<sup>th</sup> in the nation and when students gave their comments about how well the program prepared them for their careers we ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> in the nation. We have been selected as the NAIA Champion of Character Institution; our women's tennis team won the KIAC championships; and the University Communications and Web Teams have won another Case V Gold Award for their work.

**(7) CBAG** – The Strategic Plan called for review of all administrative committees and CBAG was the only one that had not been reviewed. Committee representation was increased as follows: all deans, a member from each school, staff members and students. This group will be headed up by an administrator, in this case academic affairs and administrative affairs. She is hopeful that with broader representation on CBAG, people are going to understand the budget a lot better and communication will improve.

**Atnip's Report:** Atnip said the North Central self-study is essentially done and in the hands of the people who are cleaning up the Word document and putting it in a nice final polished looking document. There will also be an electronic version that will have links embedded so the reviewers can link to the various documents on the website. He said if all goes well, it will be finished before the Christmas holidays and if not then the first week in January.

**UFC Report-Wert:** **(1)** The UFC has created a Finance & Facilities Committee to give input to President McRobbie on the budget. Gabrielle Carr is the IUS representative. **(2)** Ongoing searches include: VP for research at Bloomington and chancellors at Kokomo and Northwest. **(3)** There was a report on the Bantz review from IUPUI. **(4)** There was mention of a change in the IU Bloomington Guidebook, which the UFC will be voting on. This is basically a document used on the Bloomington campus that interprets the handbook and explains some of the administrative procedures. The changes are basically nomenclature; the chancellor is now going to be referred to as provost, and the dean of faculties is now going to be vice provost for faculty and academic affairs, etc. **(5)** There were some changes handed to the UFC about a draft for the core school dean review policy, which will be voted on at the next meeting.

President Squires called for Circular 10-5A, Proposal for a BA in Physics from Academic Policies. The motion was made and seconded. Kyle Forinash was present to field questions. President Squires asked for discussion. There was a lot of discussion and also many positive comments in support of this proposal for the new degree. The vote was taken and the motion passed.

The next item was Circular 10-5B a new course request in Nursing, NURS S486, Success Through Critical Thinking was placed in motion and seconded. Jackie Reid was present to take any questions. She said when they moved to an exit exam eight years ago they put it in the 485 course which is: professional issues about your professional organization, maintaining licensure, ethics and many other topics that help to prepare the nurse to enter at the professional level. This was actually taking away from the content of the course because students were focusing more on exiting than one would expect. This is an attempt to give credence to the 485 course while still preparing students for their exit and licensure exams, which they will take upon graduation. She said this is typical in nursing curricula across the nation. The vote was taken and the motion passed.

Circular 10-5C was an information item and supporting documentation for Circular 10-5B and did not require a vote.

President Squires asked for other business. There was none. She asked for a motion to adjourn. The motion was made and seconded and the meeting adjourned.