

Executive Committee Minutes
Faculty Senate
March 19, 2018

The Faculty Senate Executive Committee met on Monday, March 19, 2018 at 3:30pm in Breakout Room 3, Noel Studio.

PRESENT: M. Ciocca, D. Corley, R. Day, P. Kopacz, N. Mason, I. Slusher, T. Spigelman, D. Whitehouse, and M. Winslow.

ABSENT: L. Kay*

* *Denotes prior notification of absence*

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Senator Mason moved approval of the February 19, 2018 minutes as written, seconded by Senator Ciocca. Motion carried.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

- ***Evaluation of President Benson***

Chair Winslow stated that the evaluation process is moving forward. The XC's report will be ready to submit to the Board of Regents by the end of March.

- ***MBA Proposals from March meeting***

Chair Winslow stated that Senator Polin has asked for time to discuss the MBA proposals at the April Senate meeting.

XC stated that Senator Polin may bring the materials up on the floor under unfinished business, but that the proposals should not be added to the agenda. XC reminded that the Senate asked for additional information before considering the proposals: 1) syllabi for courses and 2) feasibility study.

NEW BUSINESS:

- ***Policy Updates***

The XC reviewed the following policies and agreed to list on the April Senate agenda for first read.

- Policy 4.1.3 – Academic Integrity
- Policy 4.7.2 - Sabbaticals

- ***Motions to Consider***

- ***Faculty Senate Internal Procedures***

XC agreed to postpone discussion until the April XC meeting with the anticipation that the document will be presented for approval at the May Senate meeting.

- ***Discussion Items***

- ***Media requests for voting tabulations***

Senator Winslow stated that in a prior discussion, XC determined that faculty senate minutes were not considered public record until after official approval

by Senate at the following meeting. However, status of the voting tabulations was not included in that discussion.

XC agreed that as the voting tabulations are included as part of the minutes, they should be treated in the same manner and not made available until after official approval at the following meeting.

XC suggested that a statement be included in the Faculty Senate Internal Procedures under the section on Information Technology Committee that states that the voting tabulations are not public record until after the minutes are officially approved.

- *Request concerning Ombud Minute and COSFL Report.*

Chair Winslow stated that a current senator suggested that the Ombud Minute might be more effective if shared with all faculty—not just the Faculty Senate. At the XC's suggestion, Chair Winslow will contact Ombud Beck to see if she is amenable to that.

Another request from the same senator was that the COSFL report should be submitted in written form prior to the Senate meeting. COSFL Rep. Kopacz stated that in most instances the written report is shared beforehand. She further stated that there are pros and cons for sending out written reports prior to the meeting and suggested that XC may want to reconsider that requirement.

- *Special Called Faculty Senate Meeting*

Chair Winslow stated that a special called meeting of the Faculty Senate will be held on Monday, April 16 at 3:30pm in the south ballroom, Keen Johnson. The only item on the agenda will be to review the report for the Faculty Committee on Dismissal.

- *Tentative 2018-2019 Faculty Senate Schedule*

XC reviewed the tentative schedule. The Senate meeting time, location and dates are confirmed. Only the meeting time and dates were provided for the XC meetings. The location is yet to be determined. Suggestions included the Noel Studio Conference Center, Library 208 or 201.

Once the Faculty Center is re-opened, if meetings are permissible in that space, the location may be switched back to Keen Johnson.

- *Expiring Senate Terms and Committee Vacancies*

A tentative list of expiring terms and committee vacancies was shared with the committee.

Secretary King asked if there were any vacancies to fill on the Faculty Center Board of Governors. Senator Kopacz suggested checking with current Chair Scott Hunt for that information.

- **Announcements:**

- Reminder that nominations for Senate Chair and Senate Vice-Chair will be called for at the April meeting.

- XC approved the following guest speakers for the April Senate meeting.
 - Ombud Joan Beck (*standing invitation*)
 - SGA President Laura Jackson who will introduce newly elected president

REPORTS:

- *Budget Committee: Senator Ciocca*
The committee will meet on Wednesday.
- *Elections & University Nominations Committee: Senator Mason*
There were 56 individuals who self-nominated for university standing committee vacancies. This year the committee asked for nominees to areas even if there were no vacancies. That way there will be a pool of candidates to draw from if a vacancy occurs mid-year.

The committee met with the university standing committee chairs to determine eligibility status for those nominees. On Friday, the ballot will be disseminated.

Senator Day asked if a report could be generated for the May Senate meeting to indicate if more junior faculty are self-nominating with the new voting system as compared to the old system. Senator Mason agreed to chart a 3-year comparison.

- *Faculty Welfare Committee: Senator Spigelman*
The committee will meet on Thursday.
- *Rights & Responsibilities Committee: Senator Corley*
The committee met earlier today and continued to work on a draft document on overloads which will eventually be shared with Vice Provost Robinson.

The committee recently reviewed the Sabbaticals policy.

The committee is also reviewing the tuition waiver as it relates to EKU's internal tuition program as well as House Bill 453.

- *Faculty Regent Report: Senator Day*
The Board met in special session earlier today to swear in newly appointed Regent, Laura Babbage.

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting adjourned at approximately 4:30pm.