

October 25, 2007

MEMORANDUM

TO: Members of the Faculty Council

FROM: Brien Smith, Chairperson

RE: Faculty Council Meeting #4
Thursday, November 1, 2007
4:00 p.m., CM 125

AGENDA

Approval of the minutes of October 4, 2007

I. Announcements

A. Agenda Committee – Monday, November 26, 2007, 8:30 a.m., NQ 300
Faculty Council – Thursday, December 6, 2007, 4:00 p.m., CM 125

B. Items currently in committees

1. Evaluation of Teaching (Teaching Evaluation)
2. Grade Inflation (Teaching Evaluation)
3. Restructuring Ball State Health Care Plans – from Agenda Committee 10/4/04 (Salary and Benefits)
4. Definition of Creative Arts for Faculty Award – from Agenda Committee 3/21/05 (Creative Arts)
5. 1-2-1 Agreement (International Programs) – from University Council 9/15/05
6. Terminology of Contract Positions at BSU – from Agenda Committee 10/17/05 (Contract Faculty)
7. Athletic Funding – from Agenda Committee 11/21/05 (Financial and Budgetary Affairs)
8. Load credit for directing an undergraduate honors thesis or master's thesis – from Agenda Committee 8/21/06 (Salary and Benefits)
9. Major in Peace Studies – from Agenda Committee 8/21/06 (Undergraduate Education)
10. Beneficence Pledge (Student Rights, Ethics, and Standards Committee)
11. Revised Student Academic Ethics Policy (Sent to Office of University Compliance)

12. Revision of Core Curriculum (UCC Subcommittee, Undergraduate Education
Committee)

II. Unfinished Business

A. UCC-21 (Faculty Council Agenda, 10/4/07, Enclosure #1)

III. New Business

IV. Question and Answer Period

V. Adjournment

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Members Present: H. Campbell, N. Ahmed, M. Brown, D. Chen, G. Crawley, L. Deckers, J. Eflin, F. Groom, M. Groover, M. Guntsche, M. Harvey, M. Hawkins, T. Hinds, B. Hozeski, S. Islam, K. Kalumba, C. Kapinus, T. King, J. McClure, M. McGrew, K. Neumann, J. Olesen, P. Parkison, C. Payne, D. Pearson, R. Rarick, J. Rybarczyk, D. Shawger, B. Smith, K. Speirs-Neumeister, G. Stamp, A. Stegner, M. Steib, F. Suppe, B. Umansky, C. Updike, C. Walker, M. Walker, A. Wieseke, T. Zivney, E. Zygmunt-Fillwalk

Substitutes: Howard Campbell for B. Adams, Jerome Kotecki, for J. Clark, Ted Wolner for O. Dotson, David Schoen for E. Kelly, Cindy Van Alst for J. Ledbetter, Becky McDonald for M. Popovich, Ahmed Mohammad for R. Stankewitz

Members Absent: R. Dolon, D. Haber, C. Marlow, G. Reid, W. Sharp, P. Spengler

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 p.m. by the Chairperson of the Faculty Council, Brien Smith. Roll call was taken by initialing the roster located in CM 125.

1. A motion was made and seconded (Guntsche/Steib) to approve the minutes of September 6, 2007.

The motion carried.

2. Unfinished Business

There was no unfinished business.

3. New Business

- A. UCC-21 (Faculty Council Agenda, 10/4/07, Enclosure #1)

The Parliamentarian, David Pearson, spoke regarding voting procedures.

A motion was made and seconded (Umansky/Eflin) to approve the UCC-21 document as approved by the Undergraduate Education Committee on 9/24/07.

Michael Spillman, chairperson of the Undergraduate Education Committee, presented background information regarding this item of new business.

Discussion ensued.

- What's wrong with the original core when Ball State received awards for the current core?
- Who would be deciding what courses fit the requirements? (*UCC Subcommittee, per the Faculty and Professional Personnel Handbook*)
- What courses are going to be acceptable?
- What about transfer credits? (*Transfer students will be treated as they have always been treated.*)
- How can you teach respect? (*Task Force II didn't think of it in that manner, they just wanted to get students introduced to diversity in multiple settings.*)
- Concern about immersive learning experiences – some students are in the community and have specific sites. Would that constitute a learning experience? (*This might not be immersive, but experiential, and could be counted towards tier 3.*)
- The last page, Item #10, what the last sentence mean? (*Six hours of your program – if you have a nursing prerequisite, a student can count six hours of prerequisite as a core course.*)

A motion was made and seconded (Pearson/Zivney) to table the motion until the next meeting of the Council, November 1, 2007.

The motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 5:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Ann Wieseke, Secretary

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