FACULTY OF PURDUE UNIVERSITY NORTH CENTRAL
Faculty Senate Meeting
Friday, 12 February 2016
2:00 pm – TECH 109

MINUTES

1. **Determination of Quorum:** Secretary of the Faculty, Daniel S. Wilbur
   - The following members were in attendance: Chan, Christo-Baker, Curia, Das, Duzinkiewicz, Dworkin, Kokalov, Ott, Patel, Pula, Rose, Schmid, Scribailo, Shires, Spoljoric, Steffen, Swarts, Thomas, Whitten, Wilbur, Williams, and associate member, Donah. Vice Chancellors McGuinness and Turner, Dean Brady, and Travis Ziegler were present from among the liaisons. Faculty Senate Clerk: Maria Watson. Visitors: Harvey Abramowitz, Tom Albano, Cheryl Arroyo, Regina Biddings-Muro, Cassie Boehlke, Rick Costello, Kris Falzone, Judy Hack, Ian Hughes, Erika Jones, Thomas Keon, Mick Lantis, Michael Lynn, Tom Megyesi, Dave Nalbone, Shane Prance, Cindy Roberts, John Rowan, Angela Schooley, Geoff Schultz, Staci Trekles, John Weber, Tim Winders, Student Athletes.

2. **Call to Order:** Chair of the Faculty Senate, Jeff Shires
   - The meeting was called to order at 2:02 p.m. by Professor Jeff Shires, Chair of Faculty Senate.

3. **Approval of Minutes of the Last Meeting:** Secretary of the Faculty, Daniel S. Wilbur
   - The minutes of the meetings from 15 January 2016 were presented by Prof. Shires.
   - Prof. Shires moved (seconded by Prof. Patel) to accept the minutes as presented.
     - Voice vote: This motion passed unanimously without discussion.

4. **Acceptance of Agenda:** Chair of the Faculty Senate, Jeff Shires
   - Prof. Shires moved (seconded by Prof. Patel) to accept the agenda as presented.
     - Voice vote: This motion passed unanimously without discussion.

5. **Official Remarks**
   a. President of Purdue University, Mitchell E. Daniels Jr.
      - The President being absent and having not communicated any remarks to the Chancellor, there were none.
   b. Chancellor of Purdue University North Central, James Dworkin
      - The new Student Services and Activities Complex will be turned over to us on 1 April 2016, and the graduation ceremonies will be held there in May.
      - We should soon have news of the Higher Learning Commission’s decision about the unification of PNC and PUC into PNW.
      - Thanked Paul McGuinness for his 5 years of service as Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management and Student Services and congratulated him on his new position as PNW Chief of Staff.
      - Many people have asked the Chancellor what he will do after retirement: He plans to be continuously writing.
   c. Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs, Karen Schmid
      - Work continues on a unified salary structure for PNW, currently in the area of release time equality.
      - Asked for input for the search for a Director of Academic Services.
      - West Lafayette offered to help with the salary equity study because they do one every year.
   d. Chair of the Faculty Senate, Jeff Shires
      - Prof. Shires shared a PowerPoint summary of the faculty surveys regarding attitudes toward unification.

6. **Old Business**

7. **New Business**
   a. Curriculum Documents for action: Curriculum Committee Co-Chair, Donna Whitten
      i. 15-C-12 PNW Curriculum Alignment—Communication
      ii. 15-C-13 PNW Curriculum Alignment—Nursing
      iii. 15-C-14 PNW Curriculum Alignment—Biology
      iv. 15-C-15 PNW Curriculum Alignment—CIT
v. 15-C-16 PNW Curriculum Alignment—Chemistry

vi. 15-C-17 PNW Curriculum Alignment—Electrical Engineering

vii. 15-C-18 PNW Curriculum Alignment—Importing Mathematics Degree from PUC

viii. 15-C-19 PNW Curriculum Alignment—Importing Physics Degree from PUC

- D. Whitten moved to approve documents 15-C-12 through 15-C-19 (seconded by Prof. Spoljoric)
  - Motion Passed (Y=18; N=2; A=0)

b. Report on Intercollegiate Athletics for information: Rick Costello, PNW Director of Athletics

- R. Costello shared a PowerPoint summary of the proposed PNW Athletic Plan (ECHO 360 recording available on the S: Drive)
- Student Government President Travis Ziegler read a petition on behalf of PNC students.
- V. Ott moved to request Rick Costello and Chancellor Keon formally reply to the SGA Petition by the next Faculty Senate meeting on 18 March 2016 (seconded by Prof. Patel [FS 15-15])
  - Motion Passed (Y=19; N=1; A=0)
- PNC student athletes were encouraged to comment by invitation of Profs. Patel and Spoljoric.

c. FS Document 15-11 for action: Request to Suspend Membership in the GLIAC, Chair of Faculty Senate, Jeff Shires

- A. Christo-Baker moved to approve document 15-11 (seconded by Prof. Ott)
  - Motion Passed (Y=15; N=3; A=2)

d. Update on PNW Constitution for information, Chair of Faculty Senate, Jeff Shires

e. FS Document 15-12 for action: Military Service Excusal Policy, Student Affairs Committee Chair, Anne Christo-Baker

- A. Christo-Baker moved to approve document 15-12 (seconded by Prof. Patel)
  - Motion Passed (Y=19; N=0; A=0)

f. FS Document 15-13 for action: Special Senate Meeting on Curriculum, Chair of Faculty Senate, Jeff Shires

- J. Shires moved to approve document 15-13 (seconded by Prof. Whitten)
  - Motion Passed (Y=17; N=1; A=1)

g. FS Document 15-14 for information: PNW Unified Promotion and Tenure Policy, Jim Pula

8. Status of Committee Reports: Secretary of the Faculty, Daniel S. Wilbur

a. Prof. Wilbur moved (seconded by Prof. Patel) to accept the Status of the Committees Report and the Monthly Committee Reports
  - Voice vote: This motion passed unanimously.

9. Monthly Reports of Standing Committees: Secretary of the Faculty, Daniel S. Wilbur

a. Agenda Committee – Jonathan Swarts
b. Assessment Steering Committee – Jessica Thomas
c. Curriculum Committee – Jeff Shires and Donna Whitten
d. Educational Policy Committee – Assen Kokalov
e. Faculty Affairs Committee – James Pula
f. General Education Committee – Paul Hecht
g. Resources Planning and Priority Committee – Peggy Rose
h. Student Affairs Committee – Anne Christo-Baker

10. Open Discussion

- J. Thomas: The Assessment Steering Committee is advocating for a PNW Assessment Steering Committee
- N. Patel: It seems uncivil to have security present at this Faculty Senate meeting (Prof. Ott concurs)
  - D. Whitten: Playing Devil’s Advocate, it was also good to have them if there had been an emotional event
  - J. Shires asked them to be nearby but not in the meeting room, and apologized for offending anyone
- D. Spoljoric: On record to say that students were professional and adult and she is very proud of their behavior
  - T. Ziegler accepted the apology on behalf of the students but understood the need for caution
  - P. McGuinness: Caution is always good in the current environment
J. Swarts: Echoes McGuinness but curious why the police presence troubled people

11. Reports and Remarks
   a. University Senate Representative, Janusz Duzinkiewicz
      • Report available on the S: Drive (S:/Faculty Senate/#Meetings for 2015-2016#/Meeting 06 – February 12/Reports)
   b. Student Government Representative, Travis Ziegler
      • Many changes have been happening within our own efforts in collaboration to create the new unified PNW Student Government
      • First, our government has become more connected within as we have appointed a 12th representative
      • We are also in the delivery to share proposals on a television marketing system for informing students for upcoming events and current news, and suggestion boxes for better informing ourselves on student issues
      • We also met with bookstore consultants to inform them how we as students feel the bookstore’s performance is and what things can be improved for the future
      • I’ve contacted the President of Calumet’s Student Government, who was here earlier, to discuss times for collaboration and what we are wanting to accomplish
      • Next week our members are going to focus on how our election packet will be constructed as well as building our constitution; The goal that we have going forward is to get the constitution completed by the time elections for PNW SGA take place
      • Our group has started plans for the Honors Convocation: We’re going to be at the Pine Grove venue in LaPorte on 15 April 2016, and Circle K is working with us in wishing to create a dance that will follow the festivities
      • Lastly, and this is just the beginning stages, we are planning to host a lock-in here at PNC with the active idea that it will be open to students from both the North Central and Calumet campuses. We feel this will opportunity will better branch our students together and allow even further collaboration and fellowship to occur. The tentative lock-in will be taking place on Friday of dead week this spring
      • And lastly I just want to say I submitted my graduation application today, but I feel like I still have a lot left to do, so bear with me the next few weeks as I will probably be raging the halls
   c. Vice Chancellor for Administration, Stephen Turner
      • No Report
   d. Vice Chancellor for Enrollment Management and Student Services, Paul McGuinness
      • I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for allowing me to be part of the Purdue North Central Faculty Senate process. I appreciate the involvement I have had on Senate subcommittees. Faculty Senate has accomplished many great things and I am grateful for the opportunity to work with you during my five years at PNC.
   e. College Dean Liaison, Tom Brady
      • The Deans are close to submitting their salary alignment recommendations to the Senior Leadership Team

12. Adjournment
   • Meeting adjourned at 4:42

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel S. Wilbur
Secretary of the Faculty