

UNIVERSITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

January 28, 2013

Ken White called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM.

Members Present: Ken White, Faculty Senate; Jackie Jones, Faculty Senate; Vanessa Biggers, Staff Senate; Ron Bullock, Staff Senate; Katherine Street, SGA; Jamel Williams, SGA; David Baugher, Dean's Council; Keith Tudor, Chair's and Director's Assembly; Dan Papp, President; Ron Matson, Associate Vice President for Faculty; Maureen McCarthy, Faculty Executive Assistant to the President; Raj Veliyath, Faculty Executive Assistant to the Provost.

The minutes from the November 12, 2012 meeting were approved.

Faculty Senate Update/Ken White:

Upcoming Salary Forums. Date/times are: February 4th 9:30 – 10:30 and February 5th 12:30 – 1:30 PM. Both will be in the Health Sciences Building, Room 1000.

Travel policy was presented by Michelle McGinty. Diversity Initiatives were presented by Eric Malewski, Anna Beta, Bob Weiss, and Ernesto Silva.

1st reading Part Time Faculty Council proposal policy distributed and comments/questions of UC members invited. Vanessa Biggers asked about the proposal to offer compensation to the PTFC President. No further questions or comments at this time.

Staff Senate Update/Vanessa Biggers:

The Staff Senate met on 15th. Staff Senate hosted a welcome back coffee on the 11th. Event was very well attended.

Also having staff asking for forum on salaries...getting date, gathering questions, few different issues. Dr. Papp addressed, discussed football, Title IX athletes. Anna Beda and Eric Malewski presented information on the President's Commissions on Diversity.

Ron Bullock is working on revamping Staff Senate Bylaws. One item to be addressed is the membership of the Staff Senate. At present, there is one senator for 20 staff members, resulting in 53 seats. If KSU staff numbers continue to grow, by fiscal year 18, would have 74 senators. The maximum desired number of Staff Senators would be 50 so that by 2018, the ratio would be 1 to 30. Researched how other institutions are handling staff senate membership. Most have capped, i.e. UGA has 39 senators.

Discount days: A number of local restaurants are offering discounts to faculty, staff, and students. Including Ippolito's, Fuji Hana, and Thai Peppers. Additionally, there are certain weeks that the Staff Senate is given a percentage of revenue from income from KSU folks.

Staff Senate is going to host a car wash with proceeds to go for scholarship funds. They will also host an Easter egg hunt on 3/23. Vanessa announced that Virginia Rogers still has tickets available to alumni for the 2/5 Hawks game. All KSU employees are invited to alumni events.

Chair's & Director's Assembly/Keith Tudor

Bulk of Chair's & Director's Assembly meeting involved training on new Title IX fed requirements and what constituted a report person/policy. Policies are going on line and training of all faculty and staff will take place. It was recommended that this training be similar to the online, self-taught Ethics training. Discussed Bylaws.

Dean's Council/David Baugher

At the last Dean's meeting, end of year funding was discussed. A mobile application development center was approved. Paperwork forwarded to Dr. Papp for approval.

SGA/Katherine Street

Process of forming forums to distribute in class; response rate connected to Owl Express. Discussed football: what does it look like from student perspective. SGA will be hosting a Masquerade Ball to benefit Feed the Future. Owl Memorial, a service to honor fallen owls, will take place on April 9th at Owl Memorial on the green. The goal of generating 150 plus service hours was achieved last semester. SGA exploring idea of a Six Flags college night. April is SGA month. Considering a Town Hall with student services fair. Different services offered at KSU will set up a table and students can walk through and see what is available to students.

Ron Bullock asked that at the planned Masquerade Ball that SGA include items such as peanut butter, crackers, ready to eat meals, ramen noodles in addition to canned goods.

Other

Ron Matson

The splitting of the Faculty Handbook is progressing. The goal is to get the University and the Faculty Handbooks online in mid to late February.

The BOR requires that we have an amorous relationships policy. Flora Devine is working to develop one and place in appropriate handbook. It will include and expand upon BOR policy.

Redesigning of the Academic Affairs website is taking place, with goal of making more responsive to campus community.

Dr. Papp

Explanation of handbooks:

- University Handbook: policies applied to everyone at KSU...students, faculty, and staff

- Employee Handbook: policies applied to all KSU employees, faculty, staff, administration
- Faculty Handbook: exclusively faculty
- Student Handbook: applies only to student.

Policy Processing Policy: All revisions should be sent to Leigh Funk & Susan Paraska will shepherd through system.

Amorous policy development is in process. The BOR policy is relatively general. Institutions are required to put in place a process of review applicable to institution.

As of ½ hr ago, there was one finalist for President of UGA. This is Gerry Morehead, Provost beforehand. He started at UGA as a member of law faculty.

Governor Deal and Chancellor Huckabee are discussing how the University System of GA and the Technical College System can play a more prominent role in the economic development of the state. The R1 universities in GA (UGA, GA State, GA Tech) have put together a team to look at how we can aid in economic development.

The President's Planning and Budget Advisory Committee has been meeting. We do not yet know how much money we will be receiving. That information will probably be available in April. We have established the priorities. A presentation of the budget will be made in the spring.

KSU and the Southern Center for International Studies will host the Sixteenth Former Secretaries of Defense Conference. Panelists will include Donald Rumsfeld, Richard Cheney, Robert Gates, and others. Date is February 28th in the Bailey Center from 10-12:00. The University will be prepared for protests due to controversial nature of event.

Update on +/- grading: Executive Vice Chancellor Davis decided not to consider +/- grading at KSU this year. He is willing to consider in the future, but would want to see a higher percentage of faculty in support of it.

Update on football and Title IX athletics. The Board vote on January 8 was deferred. Currently meeting with folks and he is cautiously optimistic.