

**INDIANA UNIVERSITY EAST  
2009-10 FACULTY SENATE  
February 2, 2010  
Whitewater Hall Room 132  
11:00 AM**

**Presiding:** Laverne Nishihara, Faculty Senate President

*Present:* Armstead, S; Baldwin, L; Battraw, J; Bingaman, R; Bullock, D; Cheung, O; Clapp-Itnyre, A; Clark, K; Cooksey, A; Curry, M; Dempsey, K; Dulemba, L; Fell, M; Felton, K; Folkerth, M; Frantz, D; Gabston, M; Heffron Williamson, M; Henderson, T; Humphries, P; Jance, M; Jayasuriya, K; Kathuria, H; Kriese, P; Kunshek, R; Ludlum Foos, C; Lundy, D; Ma, H; Mahaffey, J; McFadden, B; McFadden, S; McKinley, E; Mohamed, W; Morgan, A; Morse, M; Nishihara, L; Olson, D; Passet, J; Paydar, N; Peacock, F; Pomper, M; Ramsey, R; Rankin, S; Richards, L; Rivard, T; Roswell, R; Sabine, N; Samborsky, E; Scane, M; Scott, W; Seddighin, M; Shapiro, S; Slattery, E; Simon, J; Stolle, C; Thomas Evans, M; Thornburg, E; Watkins, M; Weber, G; Whitt, P; Yates, F.

*Absent:* Baker, D; Barbre, J; Baumann, P; Beach, D; Blakefield, M; Bow, C; Branstrator, P; Braxton-Brown, G; Breymer, T; Buckner, B; DeSantis, K; Doerger, D; Fitzgerald, E; Greer, K; Harper, J; Helton, E (on leave); Huffman, E; Knuths, J; Lafuze, J; Maurer, J; Rybas, N; Scales, T; Stager, J; Stanforth, D; Tolley, R; Wilde, J; Wilson, E

*Guests:* Applegate, L, *Visiting Faculty;* Hicks, D, *Registrar;* Itnyre, R, *Visiting Faculty;* Libert, J, *Visiting Faculty*

**Call to order**

Quorum was reached and the meeting was called to order at 11:02 am by Laverne Nishihara, Faculty Senate President.

**I. Approval of Minutes**

The minutes for the December 1, 2009 meeting were approved as presented.

**II. President's Report—Laverne Nishihara**

The next UFC meeting is scheduled for late February and Laverne Nishihara plans to report on that meeting at the March Senate meeting. The Admissions and Academic Affairs Committee is working on a revision to eligibility for membership on the Review Board for Misconduct and Grievances. There is hope that the revisions will be presented at the upcoming Senate meeting. The AAA Committee is also working on a policy for deviations from degree requirements. The Curriculum Committee has been very busy working on declaring what is meant by the minimum C requirement in General Education. The committee is also working to rescind the Computer Literacy Policy which has become outdated. The Faculty Affairs Committee has been working on the Policy for Review of the Executive Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. FAC is also making revisions to the Promotion and Tenure Policies and Procedures.

**III. Chancellor's Report—Chancellor Paydar**

The state of Indiana's income continues to be lower than what was projected and as a result the state cut higher education by 150 million dollars. IU East actually cut a total of 426,192 dollars in base budget and 769,985 dollars cash. Chancellor Paydar was delighted to tell everyone that we are now finished with our cuts. This was done without affecting academics and without cutting anyone from the university. We were able to do this because the cut has been planned for over two years. There is anticipation that raises will be given to all faculty and staff if the university and state allow it. The enrollment increases within the last few years have drastically helped the budget and in this semester alone we are up 16.5% by credit hours. Our income went up from the enrollment increases by 19.7%. Unfortunately, there will be a

year that we will go down and that is something that we have to expect. We are no longer the smallest regional campus and we are now larger than IU Kokomo. We are also working to improve our retention and graduation rates. Tutorial Services was restricted in a different format where the Math Center is now located in Whitewater 280 and Writing and Reading Centers are now in Tom Raper. All offices have to work as a team and be under the same umbrella to be successful in raising retention and graduation rates. University College is going to provide that umbrella by offering New Student Orientations, coaching, and transitioning students into the schools.

**IV. Standing Committees**

**A. AAA Committee—Michele Curry**

**Information Item:** January student appeals

AAA Committee had their appeals on January 11<sup>th</sup> and saw a total of 16 students. Nine were denied and seven were reinstated back into their curriculum.

**B. Athletics Committee—Neil Sabine**

**Information Item:** Student athlete eligibility appeals

There was a total of five students that had the opportunity to appeal to the committee. However only two students decided to submit an appeal. Both students were reinstated and the committee is now working to figure out why the other three students didn't apply for their appeal.

Discussion: There was a total of twelve students that were denied eligibility to play out of around a total of seventy students. Junior and senior athletes fall under NAIA eligibility and freshman and sophomores fall under the Academic Eligibility Policy for Student Athletes. This stands because NAIA has no eligibility requirements for underclassmen. The only students that go before the AAA Committee are those students that have been suspended from the university. The students that appeal to the Athletic Committee have not been suspended from the university but their GPA has fallen below a 2.0 and the students are on probation.

**C. Curriculum Committee—Bob Ramsey**

**Voting Items:** Online Degree Completion Proposal: Concentration in Mathematics

This program will begin fall of 2010 and will be the first online program to be offered by NSM. It provides IU East with the opportunity to expand the degree to students that take online courses.

The Degree Completion Proposal: Concentration in Mathematics was moved and seconded by the Curriculum Committee.

Discussion: The course I210 should be replaced with I201 and I201 should be replaced with I101 in the course requirement section of the proposal. There was concern that there was a course in the degree that would cover the diversity and ethics requirement. It was stated that the Math M380 falls within this requirement. There was concern that the degree completion program may not work fully with the REPA rules. The program is not intended to replace what we have but to just take place in an online setting. It was again stated that this is not a change in the curriculum, just in the way that the courses are being offered.

The online degree completion proposal was approved unanimously and the motion carried.

**Voting Item:** New Course Requests

BUS-K312 Decision Modeling

MUS-K140 Music Notation Workshop

MUS-K431 Electronic and Computer Music II

MUS-M250 Introduction to Music Research and Analysis

MUS-M251 Introduction to Musicology

The courses were all moved and seconded by the Curriculum Committee.

Discussion: There was concern in the number of music courses that are being passed and the number of faculty members working in the music department is staying the same. It was explained that many of the courses that are being offered are not all offered in the same semester. Some courses that are being added are actually replacing previous courses that will no longer be offered. There were many performance courses that were passed and are not currently being offered because students have not requested that specific instrument. However, if a student was to want a different instrument that is not being offered then an adjunct faculty member could be hired to instruct the student.

The courses we approved unanimously and the motion carried.

D. **Nominating Committee**—LaDonna Hatley Dulemba

**Voting Items:**

2010-2011 Faculty Senate President

There were no nominations added from the floor so Laverne Nishihara will remain Faculty Senate President with a vote of acclamation.

2010-2011 UFC Representative

There was a nomination from the floor that Greg Braxton-Brown be added to the ballot. The results of the election will be announced at the next Senate meeting.

By-Election for Vacancy on Faculty Affairs Committee

Greg Weber was recommended to fill the vacancy and the floor was asked for any additional nominations. Greg Weber will fill the vacancy with a vote of acclamation from the floor.

E. **Agenda Committee**—Markus Pomper

**Voting Item:** Resolution to Endorse Diversity Statement

The Resolution to Endorse the Diversity Statement was brought forward by the Agenda Committee.

The Diversity Statement was endorsed by Faculty Senate.

V. **Academic Affairs Report** – Executive Vice Chancellor Richards

The diversity statement is important for our accreditation and will appear in various places on our website. The statement will also be the foreword to our diversity plan which is now in the process of being updated. There was clarification on the early warning system and roster verification. It was stated that this will help raise our retention rates. There was also clarification on the grade codes that faculty can use within the early warning system. There was concern of how to correctly code students that are enrolled in the online classes because it is more difficult to judge attendance.

VI. **Old Business**

None.

VII. **New Business**

None.

The meeting adjourned at 12:04 p.m.