Faculty Senate Executive Committee

Summary of Discussion

May 12, 2014 – 10:00 AM

President’s Office

1. Center for Teaching and Learning Priorities

   *Motion (J. Campbell, S. Bosco): The senate adopts the priorities for the Center for Teaching and Learning as outlined in the attached document (attachment) and urges the provost to adopt these priorities as well. The senate directs the executive committee to seek a written response from the outlining CTL priorities.*

   Provost Workman considers all of these good suggestions and will be giving these priorities due consideration as the CTL is formulated this fall.

2. Curriculum Process Changes Summer Plans

   What needs to be done this summer introducing this new system?

   President Stein will work with the registrar to ensure all curriculum approved by the FSCC and senate is in its May meeting is moved forward.

   Provost Workman indicates no immediate need for senate action on the implementation of the electronic system. Provost hopes for roll-out this August.

3. Participation in Commencement

   Does participation in the commencement ceremony affect graduation rates?

   *Provost Workman will provide a report as to the number of students who walk with six credits left and as to the status of their graduation.*

   There is broad agreement that policies should be data based and although these data are difficult at times to collect it is worth the effort.

4. General Education Plans

   *Motion: (J. Speakman, A. Leguizamo): To charge the elections committee to poll the faculty for self-nominations for 5 representatives for the working group.*

   Senate president will forward five names of faculty for the working group on completion of the elections committee work.

5. Provost’s Committee for Student Research Funding
Motion (J. Roberts, S. Bosco): The Senate requests that the administration accept the Chairperson of the University Life Committee of the Faculty Senate, or the Chairperson’s designee, as a voting member of the Provost’s Committee for Student Research Funding. The second faculty member of this committee should be selected by the Senate Elections Committee from the faculty at large by October 1st.

Provost Workman accepts this proposal. Selection of the other faculty member for this committee will need to be addressed by the new senate before the October appointment.

6. Gender Neutural Restrooms
Senate requests an update on the plans and suggests their location also be indicated on a campus map.

President Farish will forward the recommendation to facilities for implementation.