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FACULTY SENATE AGENDA
Wednesday, October 31, 3 p.m.
Holmes Student Center Sky Room

I. CALL TO ORDER

II. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

III. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 3, 2012 FS MEETING
(distributed electronically)

IV. PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

V. ITEMS FOR FACULTY SENATE CONSIDERATION

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

VII. REPORTS FROM ADVISORY COMMITTEES

- A. FAC to IBHE – Sonya Armstrong – [report](#) – Page 3
[MAP 102](#) (also posted to FS Blackboard)
- B. Student Association – Delonte LeFlore, President, and Austin Quick, Speaker
- C. BOT Academic Affairs, Student Affairs and Personnel Committee – Kerry Freedman and Andy Small – no report
- D. BOT Finance, Facilities, and Operations Committee – Alan Rosenbaum and Greg Waas – no report
- E. BOT Legislation, Audit, and External Affairs Committee – Todd Latham and Rosita Lopez – no report
- F. BOT – Alan Rosenbaum – no report

VIII. REPORTS FROM STANDING COMMITTEES

- A. Faculty Rights and Responsibilities – Brad Cripe, Chair – no report
- B. Academic Affairs – Charles Cappell, Chair – no report
- C. Economic Status of the Profession – Debra Zahay-Blatz, Chair – no report
- D. Rules and Governance – Ibrahim Abdel-Motaleb, Chair – no report

- E. Resources, Space and Budgets – Jim Wilson, Liaison/Spokesperson – no report
- F. Elections and Legislative Oversight – Therese Arado, Chair – no report

IX. EXECUTIVE SESSION

- A. Presidential Search

X. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

XI. NEW BUSINESS

XII. COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR

XIII. INFORMATION ITEMS

- A. [Minutes](#), Academic Planning Council
- B. [Minutes](#), Admissions Policies and Academic Standards Committee
- C. [Minutes](#), Athletic Board
- D. [Minutes](#), Campus Security and Environmental Quality Committee
- E. [Minutes](#), Committee on Advanced Professional Certification in Education
- F. [Minutes](#), Committee on the Improvement of Undergraduate Education
- G. [Minutes](#), Committee on Initial Teacher Certification
- H. [Minutes](#), Committee on the Undergraduate Academic Experience
- I. [Minutes](#), Committee on the Undergraduate Curriculum
- J. [Minutes](#), General Education Committee
- K. [Minutes](#), Honors Committee
- L. [Minutes](#), Operating Staff Council
- M. [Minutes](#), Supportive Professional Staff Council
- N. [Minutes](#), Undergraduate Coordinating Council
- O. [Minutes](#), University Assessment Panel
- P. [Minutes](#), University Benefits Committee
- Q. [HJRCA 49](#), Constitutional Amendment

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

Report on the FAC-IBHE Meeting, October 19, 2012

The Faculty Advisory Council (FAC) to the Illinois Board of Higher Education (IBHE) met on October 19, 2012, at Danville Area Community College (DACC). The meeting began with the introduction of DACC's President, Alice Marie Jacobs, who reported on DACC's enrollment trends and partnerships with local K-12 system.

IBHE Updates

In the IBHE Staff Liaison Report, Ocheng Jany (IBHE) provided updates on staffing at IBHE. He noted, first, that it will take some time for the three new IBHE staff members in academic affairs to be fully trained. Also, he reported that there are two finalists left in the pool for the Deputy Director of Academic Affairs position. Finally, IBHE has inherited a new division from the State Board of Education that approves certificates for short programs (typically less than one year).

MAP Task Force

Steven Rock provided "MAP 102," a follow-up presentation from the September meeting that provides predictions and insights on the 60 by 25 goal.

Illinois Amendment 49

Linda Brookhart, Executive Director of SUAA, joined the meeting by phone to provide her perspective on the constitutional amendment that will be on the ballot. The SUAA web site has detailed information on the subject. Toby Trimmer, Director of Political Activities for the Illinois Federation of Teachers, also called in by phone to give his take on the amendment. There was consensus that the amendment was poorly written, unclear as to what it applies to, and would have substantial (likely negative) yet unknown consequences.

Legislator Visits

State Representative Chad Hays (R-104th district) visited to provide insights on higher education issues in the legislation. He serves on the Higher Education Committee, and is a supporter of higher education.

The next guest was State Senator Michael Frerichs. He is likely to be the chair of the Senate's Higher Education Committee with the retirement of Senator Ed Maloney. He stated that higher education is very important to him.

Public Four-Year Caucus Updates

The Public Caucus has set up two subcommittees: Academic Matters and Fiduciary/Administrative Matters. One goal for these subcommittees is to write op/ed articles to send to small/local papers. The subcommittees will try to bring reports to the next meeting, such as the value of higher education and pension reform/cost shifting.

The minutes from our September 21st meeting were approved. Adjournment was at 3:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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