



December 16, Minutes
Approved January 13, 2004
EC #14

Indiana State University
Faculty Senate
Executive Committee 2003-04

Time: 3:15 p.m.

Place: Hulman Memorial Student Union 227

Present: Chairperson H. Hudson, Vice Chair S. Lamb

S. Davis, J. Harper, N. Lawrence, R. Schneirov, V. Sheets, J. Tenerelli

Ex-Officio: President Benjamin, Provost Maynard

Visitors: C. Barton, P. Mikolaj, J. Sanders

I. Minutes of the December 9th meeting were approved. (Davis, Lawrence 7-0-1)

II. Administrative Report

President Benjamin:

- 1) Thanked the Senate Officers for attending the recent luncheon with the Board of Trustees and members who had attended the Holiday Open House;
- 2) Commented on the Health Benefits recommendation to be considered by the Committee today—effective date for incorporation of adjusted rates would affect rate increase;
- 3) Noted highlights of the Massachusetts Efficiency Study that is the model being considered by a state subcommittee focused on governmental efficiency;
- 4) Relayed recent donation accomplishments by the Foundation;
- 5) Informed that another candidate for the VP of Advancement position would be on campus this Friday;
- 6) In response to an inquiry, stated that the University has no commitment to the Arts Corridor project beyond campus parameters.

Provost Maynard:

No report—deferred to guests present for action items.

III. Chair Report

Chair Hudson:

No report—deferred to guests present for action items.

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IV. Old Business

1) SAC Recommendation: Admission Writing Test Requirement; removed from the table (Tenerelli, Davis 7-0-1); approved (Davis, Lamb 7-0-1).

Clarifications: requirement consistent with other public universities; included in the standard SAT, therefore, students would incur no additional cost; test scores would be provided by the SAT testing services; Spring 2004 would be the implementation target date with a transition period; application of test information would require faculty input.

2) Academic Affairs Special Purpose Faculty and Part-time Temporary Faculty Recommendation, December 11, 2003; removed from the table (Tenerelli, Davis 7-0-1);

Special thanks to R. Schneirov for preparation of today's draft. The revised document was further amended by the Committee. It was noted that the revised document closely aligns with the recommendations of the Special Purpose Faculty ad hoc committee, March 28, 2003.

Tabled, (Schneirov, Harper 6-0-1); R. Schneirov will incorporate today's amendments and forward a new draft for consideration at the next meeting.

V. New Business

1) FEBC recommendation: The FEBC recommends adopting the administration proposal of a 15% increase in health coverage rates to be applied across the board for all employees and retirees for 2004.

After lengthy discussion: comparison of health costs for last year to this year's health costs; consideration of a tiered premium increase; need for a better review mechanism. Motion to approve amended by friendly amendment; approved the recommended alternate proposal for a tiered premium increase. (Lamb, Sheets 7-0-1)

The Committee discussed repercussions relevant to the premium payment schedule if the proposal was delayed from Board of Trustee action in January. Motion: send to the Senate for consideration this Thursday, December 18; (Davis, Tenerelli 6-0-1).

2) The Committee instructed the Provost for the Sabbatical Leaves Committee to function as in the past pending FAC review of the ad hoc Sabbatical Leaves Committee recommendations.

The meeting adjourned at 6:15 p.m.

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