



Campus Assembly Minutes November 28, 2006

DeAnna Timmermann, Assembly Chair, called the meeting to order at 3:18pm in Huber Auditorium

Review of the Minutes:

The meeting minutes from the November 7, 2006 Campus Assembly were approved as posted to the Assembly webpage: www.eou.edu/assembly with one change, Ad Hock to Ad Hoc.

President's Update:

President Fatemi stated that he did not have much to report on since the last Assembly was two weeks ago. The Governor's budget will become public on Friday, December 1, 2006 but as yet its contents are unknown. President Fatemi addressed potential concerns regarding the EOU swimming pool by stating that there are no plans or discussions to close the pool at this time. However, ASEOU student government members are reviewing student fee fund contributions towards the pool in anticipation of possible deficits in their budget. ASEOU can choose not to make a contribution towards the pool as part of their budget planning process. President Fatemi believes the students are doing the right thing by examining their budget in advance. He added that a choice by ASEOU to reduce or end student fee fund contributions towards the pool does not necessarily mean that the swimming pool will close.

Provost Update:

Governance Committee Update:

Provost Miller has charged a sub committee to work on a proposal for shared governance. The draft is basically completed, and will hopefully be able to be shared at the next Assembly. In the meantime, the draft proposal will be taken to the various Assembly constituencies for comments, suggestions, and input on a final proposal. It would be ideal to have a new governance structure in place by March or April 2007. Provost Miller recognized that several people have been working hard on this project and a lot of progress has been made at this point in time.

Strategic Plan:

In 1998, the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities (NWCCU) noted that EOU did not have a strategic plan in place. One was developed in 1999 and remains as the [strategic plan for EOU](#). The EOU mission statement was revised and approved by the Assembly in 2004. As such, an updated strategic plan is warranted. An effort was made to create a new strategic plan last year, but this did not happen. This effort was perceived as being "top-down" and did not necessarily utilize the existing strategic plan as a starting point. This year the strategic planning process will start with the 1999 plan and reflect "bottom-up" development. It is important to revisit the strategic plan, as the OUS Board is encouraging its institutions to identify their educational niches. Additionally, EOU needs to be able to articulate to the state legislature its strengths and goals in terms of potential funding. The Provost then showed an outline of [Strategic Planning 2006-09](#) and talked about goals, outcomes and proposed representation of the plan. The [Proposed Strategic Planning Timeline](#) was then presented and talked about and will be up on the web for easy accessibility. He said that after SWOT analysis is complete a special Assembly will be called. A question was asked and answered following the presentation.

Provost Miller ended with encouraging students to pre-register for winter term.

Action Items

Education Policy & Curriculum Committee (EPCC) Report – Colleen Johnson presented the following:

- New Courses approved by EPCC:
 - ART 321, Digital Design (New Gen Ed: AC, 5 cr) (DDE Only)
 - HIST 320, The Celts (3 cr)
 - HIST 325, History of Christianity (5 cr)
 - HIST 327, Medieval Ireland: Land of Saints & Scholars (5 cr)
 - HIST 328, The Vikings (3 cr)
 - HIST 444, History of the Pacific Northwest (5 cr)
 - HIST 314, The Great Depression (5 cr)
 - HIST 338, Comparing Frontier Cultures in the American and Canadian West (5 cr)
 - HIST 352, The Sixties (5 cr)
 - HIST 465, Environmental History (5 cr)
 - HIST 425, History of Modern Science: Gravity to Relativity (5 cr)
 - HIST 479, History of Mexico (5 cr)
 - HIST 483, History of Native Americans and the US (5 cr)
 - NAT 370, Native American Law (5 cr)
 - READ 542, Preparing for the Reading Specialist Exam (1 cr)
 - ECED 310, Topics in Early Childhood Education (1-3 cr)

MOTION: Approve new courses as presented. Motion approved.

- Colleen stated that a new NAT Minor will be brought forward next quarter.
- EPCC Information Items:
 - University Writing Requirement Approval
 - CHEM 443, Thermodynamics

Information Items

- A. **Elect Inter-institution Faculty Senate (IFS) representative/alternative** – Steve Tanner relayed that the IFS represents all seven institutions of the OUS and meets one weekend every other month during the school year. This senate provides a voice for the public University faculty. Currently there are two senators, Steve Tanner and Jeff Johnson and one alternate, Janet Hume-Schwartz. Steve's term is up in December so he nominated Janet Hume-Schwartz. For the alternate DeAnna nominated Steve Tanner.
Action: Both were elected via acclamation
- B. **[Proposed Constitutional Amendment Quorum](#)** – DeAnna Timmermann announced that on-line voting would begin on Thursday, November 30th at 12:00a.m. and continue through Monday, December 4th at 12:00a.m. Voting will be conducting by logging onto Webster. Contact DeAnna Timmermann or Jana Parmele if there are problems. A brief question and answer session followed.
- C. **[Budget and Planning Committee](#)** – DeAnna Timmermann read the current bylaw as well as the proposed change. She stated that this issue will be voted on in February.

Five Minute Access

- A. **President's Commission on the Status of Women (PCSW)** – Anna Cavinato explained that the PCSW is a committee made up of men and women who are appointed by the President. She went on to read the mission statement and member's names. She then explained the [goals of the Commission](#) and encouraged members of the community to work with them.
- B. **ASEOU** – Shakira Bandolin, VP of Political Affairs for ASEOU [read a short statement](#) in response to the events of last assembly.

For the Good of the Order

- A. DeAnna Timmermann congratulated Marianne Weaver and family on their new baby boy Erin.
- B. Anna Cavinato mentioned that the CS staff has been busy preparing for the Robotic Tournament coming up. This involved grades 6-8 and there are 26 teams and 30 volunteers.
- C. Matt Cooper reminded everyone of the Holiday Musical Festival this coming weekend, Saturday, Dec. 2 at 7:30 pm. and Sunday, Dec. 3 at 3 p.m. in McKenzie Theatre.

There being no further business before the Assembly, the meeting was adjourned at 4:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jana Parmele
Assembly Secretary