EOU Faculty Senate

Minutes

April 5, 2011

Senators Present: Jeff Johnson, Jeff Dense, Kathleen Dahl, Charles Lyons, Frederick Pratter, April Curtis (for Jessica Plattner), Leandro Espinosa, Darren Dutto, Mary Fields, Ruthi Davenport, Karyn Gomez, Frank Bushakra, Doug Briney, David Drexler, Chris Heidbrink, Ted Atkinson

Guests: Steve Adkison, Sally Mielke, Dennis Hopwood

- **Approval of Minutes**
  - January 18, 2011 – Approved with corrections on name spellings and the addition of Senator Atkinson
  - February 1, 2011 -- Approved
  - March 1, 2011 – Deferred

- **President’s Update and Discussion:** None this meeting

- **Provost’s Update:**
  1. Reminder of meeting regard Program Reviews
  2. Work-load adjustments are being reevaluated
  3. Over-load in Ed/Bus is becoming an institution concern
  4. Director of Financial Aid candidates are starting on-campus interviews
  5. The pool of candidates for Vice President of Financial Affairs is very strong
  6. Workload audit of faculty productivity is being conducted at the state level

- **Senate Action Items**
  - **Old Business:**
    1) **Revised Dual Couples Policy** – Approved unanimously
2) **Diversity Strategic Plan** – Deferred

3) **Revised Background Checks Policy** – Once again, very spirited debate. No resolution at this point.
New Business:

1) Education Policy & Curriculum Committee (EPCC) – Sally Mielke

- EPCC Action/Information Items
  **Program Changes**
  PHYSH Program Change -- Approved unanimously
  ECED Program Change – Approved unanimously

  **Course Changes**
  ECED 320 – Approved unanimously

  **New Courses**
  ECED 305
  ECED 315
  HWS 352
  POLS 315
  POLS 316 \{ Approved unanimously
  FSA 360
  FSA 409
  FSA 410
  FSA 460

  **Deleted Courses**
  THEA 211
  THEA 212
  THEA 213 \{ Approved unanimously
  THEA 324
  THEA 334

  **GEC**
  WR 222 -- Approved with one abstention
  WR 320 -- Approved with one abstention

  **DPD**
  HWS 352 -- Approved unanimously

- Other Reports/Information Items:
  - **Doug Briney:** University Council – Nothing to report
  - **M. Ruth Davenport:** Senator Davenport shared a faculty senate resolution from SOU their endorsement of the OUS Governance Proposal and asked whether the EOU Faculty Senate would like to formally endorse this. She will share a draft at the next Senate meeting.