

MINUTES OF THE FACULTY SENATE MEETING
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2004
ICC AUDITORIUM
(Approved 10/12/04)

PRESENT: Andrews, Bates, D. Betz, P. Betz, Bonanno, Bondurant, Doug Brown, Clarke, Cleary, Davis, Diamond, Dimolitsas, Engler, Ernst, Fink, Friedman, Glazer, Goldfrank, Haramati, Hussey, Iglarsh, Keesling, Lamiell, Lieber, Linafelt, Little, McFadden, S.J., Moran Cruz, Moscovitch, Mueller, J. Murphy, G. Owens, Pedrick, Pfeiffer, Ronkainen, Salles-Reese, C. Sanz, Sitterson, Tyler, Vroman, J.P. Walsh, S.J., Weiss

ABSENT: Arend, Aleinikoff, Bloch, Byrne, Cohn, Cumby, Furth, Gale, Gallucci, Haft, Hauser, Hirsh, Joyner, Kertesz, Larsen, Lightfoot, Malekzadeh, Mastorovich, McAuliffe, McCabe, C. Norton, Oakley, A. O'Donnell, J. O'Donnell, J. Peck, Richmond, Ross, Sandberg, Shad, Shedel, Sistrunk, Taylor, Tilden, Tinkcom, R. Thomas, Verbalis, Walker, T. Walsh, Walters, Weidenbruch, Witek, S.J.

GUESTS: Margie Bryand (Auxiliary Services), David Morrell (University Safety), Stefani Blair (Blue & Gray), Gloria Massaro

The meeting was called to order at 4:20 pm by Professor Wayne Davis (Chair). The minutes of the May 13, 2004 meeting were approved.

There was a moment of tribute to two founders of the Senate who died in the past few weeks. Valerie Earle, a member of the Government Department, an original member of the Senate, helped draft the bylaws in 1965-66 and served as the first President of the Senate in 1967. Keith Fort of English Department was the first Sec/Treas. of the Senate and was also at the first meeting of the Senate. There were some words of tribute to these two founding members of the Senate by members of the current Faculty Senate.

Appointments

Bill Vukowich of the Law Center was appointed by the Senate Steering Committee and confirmed by the Senate to serve on the Grievance Code Committee. Professor Davis will appoint him as Chair of that committee.

The new School of Continuing Studies will need an advisory committee. The Senate Steering Committees nominees, Julia Lamm of the Theology Dept. and Doug Brown of the Economics Dept., were confirmed by the Senate.

Dave Morrell

Dave Morrell, VP for University Safety, was introduced. There are three components of this office, reporting to Spiros Dimolitsas:

- Dept. of Public Safety
- Environmental Management
- Emergency Preparedness

The Department of Public Safety deals with street crimes and thefts on campus. The DPS call boxes are being replaced on campus and an additional 23 are being added.

Traffic pattern on campus is being changed – all commercial traffic will be routed through Canal St. When Dept. of Homeland Security raises the national threat level, we have traffic plans in place.

We have an Emergency Preparedness Plan. DPS are ‘designated first responders’. There is always a Senior Administrator on Call (SAOC). There are four of them, so someone is on call 24/7.

The Emergency Operations Center is a room in New South. It contains electronic communication – voice, data – enabling quick response to incidents.

The Emergency Response Team has 20 members from academic, administrative, and operational offices. They respond to the Emergency Operations Center. There are 12 Emergency Support teams.

1. Academics – under the purview of the Provost, headed by John Pierce
2. UIS
3. Finance
4. Facilities
5. Planning
6. Community Care
7. Hazardous materials
8. Auxiliary Services (food, catering services, mail, etc)
9. Law enforcement
10. Communications.
11. Transportation
12. International Programs - all our study abroad programs.

There are building and floor marshalls in every building, on every floor. There is a new Emergency Preparedness link on Home Web page of GU (bottom center). There are green laminated sheets containing information about emergency procedures (We should all have it.) Whistle blast indicates “shelter in” situation; everyone needs to be inside.

One person spoke of how much commotion and lack of communication there was at the back of ICC during the last fire alarm drill. Mr. Morrell noted that the radios did not work well during that situation.

Drills occur only once per year in administrative buildings; twice a year in dorms. Concern was expressed about people who are not in the building at the time of the drill, but who do spend time in that building, perhaps on different days or different times.

We will be notified by DC in the event of biological/chemical attack. Several other questions were answered by Dave Morrell. His email address is: Dfm24@georgetown.edu

Marjorie Bryant

Marjorie Bryant of Auxiliary Services spoke about the Bookstore. There is a space (600 sq. ft.) in the bookstore that can accommodate lectures, poetry readings, music, etc. It will accommodate up to 40 people. A projector can be set up. To reserve, call Jim Kuhlman on ext. 7-7511.

Agenda

The following items are on the Senate agenda for this year:

- Complete revisions to handbook.
- Tenure track clock issue.
- Family care leave policy (being led by Maggie Little).
- OAUR will undergo internal & external review; the faculty will play a role.
- GUMC restructuring issues.

Medical Center

Professor Davis introduced Dr. Stuart Bondurant, the new interim EVP of GUMC.

Professor Haramati noted that an advisory committee plus four working groups are being formed to help restructure the Medical Center. The Senate needs to make 2 appointments to each. The Medical Center Caucus will make nominations at tomorrow's meeting. Once they are approved by the Senate Steering Committee, the appointees can begin to work, pending approval by the full Senate at its next meeting.

Someone suggested that we should consider getting a member of the Economics Dept. or Business School involved. Vice President Spiros Dimolitsas noted that there will be financial consultants to provide the numbers.

It was decided that the Senate would request that President DeGioia include financially knowledgeable faculty on these committees.

Vice President Dimolitsas provided additional information about the process. There will be financial targets, to be identified shortly. They will be broken down into the four components. Each group will then be asked to come up with a plan to meet those targets by 2007. The recommended plans will be submitted to EVP Bondurant, who will then make final decisions regarding implementation. It must be done by January so that we will be able to submit the plan to the GU Board by the February meeting. "It will be the whole that needs to be in balance." That is, it is not necessarily true that each of the four groups will need to be in the black.

Dr. Bondurant added that implementation will be the responsibility of many, especially the department chairs. He added that he and President DeGioia believe it is important to insure that the development of this entire process honors the governance traditions and regulations and policies of this University and the Medical Center. What comes out of these groups must be vetted according to the governance process.

Motion: The Senate will send a letter to President DeGioia, attached to the appointees that the Steering committee sends on, asking that he consider nominees from other campuses with the appropriate budgetary expertise to these advisory committees. APPROVED

Dr. Bondurant noted that "we are all in this together" and that he welcomes participation from other campuses.

The meeting adjourned at 5:30.

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