TO: The Senate

FROM: Executive Committee

DATE: 17 March 2003

SUBJ: Items under Consideration by Senate Committees and Subcommittees

The Agenda Committee has asked Senate committee and subcommittee chairs to report items under discussion in the various committees. The following is a compilation of what was submitted.

Educational Policy Committee

Linda Hite, Chair

1. Reviewing a late withdrawal procedure with the help of the Dean of Students. Rationale: Some students experience personal extenuating circumstances that indicate withdrawal after the designated deadline, but current procedures are not clear about this process.

2. Exploring how other campuses handle grades for students who do not attend class for the duration of a semester. Rationale: Since an "F" is an assigned/earned grade, is there another way to signify that a student simply did not attend?

    Subcommittees of the Educational Policy Committee:

    Academic Advising Subcommittee

    Douglas Neitzel and Michael Slaubaugh, Co-Chairs

1. Nothing at this time.

Calendar Subcommittee

James Haw, Chair

1. Nothing at this time.

Continuing Education Advisory Subcommittee

Dennis Marshall, Chair

1. Nothing at this time.

Curriculum Review Subcommittee

Carol Lawton, Chair

1. Deliberated Bachelor of Science in Computer Engineering proposal.

2. Deliberated School of Business and Management Sciences curriculum proposal for the following concentrations: Labor Economics, Labors Relations, and General Economics.

Developmental Studies Subcommittee

Douglas Townsend, Chair

1. Nothing at this time.

Distance Education Subcommittee

Dennis Marshall, Chair

1. Nothing at this time.

General Education Subcommittee

Beverly Parke, Chair

1. Nothing at this time.

Grade Appeals Subcommittee

Lenore DeFonso, Chair

1. Heard three grade appeals in September and October.

2. Fourth appeal did not meet criteria for a hearing by this committee.

3. Considering handout for students summarizing procedures for making an appeal to the Grade Appeals Subcommittee

4. Considering template for departments/schools showing required steps for department/school grade appeal process

Graduate Subcommittee

David Turnipseed, Chair

1. Nothing at this time.

Honors Program Council

Brenda Lundy, Chair

1. Continuing to work on assessment and strategic planning.

International Studies Program Advisory Subcommittee

Max Montesino, Chair

1. Nothing at this time.

Faculty Affairs Committee

Elaine Blakemore, Chair

1. Considering issues regarding continuing lecturers.

2. Recommended Library promotion and tenure procedures (action item).

3. Meeting with campus Promotion and Tenure Committee regarding promotion and tenure.

4. Considering sabbatical proposal.

5. Considering UCLA Higher Education Research Institute Study: issues for campus climate for faculty.

Subcommittee of the Faculty Affairs Committee:

Professional Development Subcommittee

James Moore, Chair

1. Completed the recommendations to the VCAA regarding 2003 summer grant applications.

Indiana University Committee on Institutional Affairs

Michael Nusbaumer, Chair

1. Nothing at this time.

Nominations and Elections Committee

Ron Friedman, Chair

1. Conducted elections for Speaker of Purdue University Faculty and Presiding Officer of the Faculty.

Purdue University Committee on Institutional Affairs

Peter Hamburger, Chair

1. Nothing at this time.

Student Affairs Committee

Linda Fox, Chair

1. Deliberating editorial changes to amendments made to SD 89-28.

Subcommittee of the Student Affairs Committee:

Athletics, Subcommittee on

David Young, Chair

1. Revised substance abuse policy.

2. Discussed set of guidelines on how to handle suspected NCAA violations.

University Resources Policy Committee

John Brennan, Chair

1.   No report given.

Subcommittees of the University Resources Policy Committee:

Academic Computing and Information Technology Advisory Subcommittee

Margaret Kimble, Chair

1. Supported addition of fixed presentation stations for high use classrooms according to a report filed in April through LRC. ACITAS presented this document to the ITPC at its November meeting. Funding was approved for completion of the project.

2. Reviewed classroom management software known as NetOps and recommends its use on campus.

3. Previewed and supported WebCT-Vista. CELT will be doing the training during the Spring semester so that faculty will be up and running by Fall 2003.

4. Discussed issue of network security. Although ITS is upgrading security to conform to national security requirements, holes in this area could result in loss of federal funding. Anyone using a computer at IPFW must be identifiable and at the same time IPFW needs to provide public access.

Budgetary Affairs Subcommittee

George Bullion, Chair

1. Deliberating the financial status of IPFW's Division I program

Library Subcommittee

David Oberstar, Chair

1. Preparing resolution on information literacy.