

TO: The Senate
FROM: Executive Committee
DATE: 31 October 2011
SUBJ: Items under Consideration by Senate Committees and Subcommittees

The Executive 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

James Toole, Chair

1. Approved a draft resolution recommending amendment of the Senate by-laws to alter the membership of the Graduate Subcommittee.
2. Discussing regulations on late partial withdrawal from a course after the end of the relevant academic term.
3. Discussing regulations on changing from credit to audit status.
4. Discussing regulations on academic misconduct.

Subcommittees of the Educational Policy Committee:

Calendar Subcommittee

Jody Ross, Chair

1. Considered a draft of the 2014-2015 academic calendar.
2. Considered a possible survey of faculty regarding the length of the current semester (we are considering polling the faculty regarding their perceptions of the length of the fall/spring semesters and asking for faculty input about the possibility of shortening the semester by one week)

Continuing Education Advisory Subcommittee

Sue Skekloff, Chair

1. Discussed expanding General Studies degree completion to IPFW stop-out students and external adult and non-traditional students.
2. Discussed growing Collegiate Connection program in partnership in IPFW academic units.
 - IPFW received NACEP (National Alliance for Concurrent Credit Programs) accreditation this summer as one of on 63 colleges in the country and five in Indiana.
 - In Fall 2011, 20 IPFW departments supervised instruction in 33 regional high schools; departments with the highest number of sections were Math/Statistics 108 & 13 (1179/79), English 16 (225), Biology 15 (314), Psychology 10 (125), Fine Arts 10 (18), Geosciences 8 (38), Chemistry 7 (78). (parentheses represent student enrollments).
 - Growth in online learning grew at 6.62% in Fall 2011 with 6,670 enrollments and 19,163 credit hours. Focus on development of more online programs certifications making higher education more accessible throughout region.
3. Discussions regarding Continuing Studies' administrative and academic structure being discussed with IU system and IPFW leaders in addition to IPFW overload compensation.

Curriculum Review Subcommittee

Ann Livschiz, Chair

1. Submitted three program proposals to Senate for information only.

Developmental Studies Subcommittee

Karol Dehr, Chair

1. Nothing at this time.

General Education Subcommittee

Linda Wright-Bower, Chair

1. GES continues to review Area VI proposal for re-certification. We are also working with the Assessment Council on projects related to the assessment of general education courses.

Graduate Subcommittee

Shannon Johnson (no chair elected)

1. No report received.

Honors Program Council

Talia Bugel, Chair

1. No report received.

International Services Advisory Subcommittee

Nancy Virtue, Chair

1. No report received.

Faculty Affairs Committee

Mark Masters, Chair

1. Discussed SD 10-14 - faculty workloads and evaluation, in particular dealing with option 1 and option 2.
2. The examination of workloads and reward structure also includes continuing lecturers.
3. Discussed SD 88-25 and SD 94-3 on Promotion and Tenure

Subcommittee of the Faculty Affairs Committee:

Professional Development Subcommittee

Matthew Walsh, Chair

1. Evaluating applications for the IPFW Summer Faculty Research Grant program (27 proposals received)
2. Evaluating applications for the IPFW Summer Senior Faculty Research Grant Program (6 proposals received)
3. We will also be evaluating sabbatical applications in November.

Indiana University Committee on Institutional Affairs

Stanley Davis, Chair

1. Will conduct election for Faculty Board of Review.

Nominations and Elections Committee

Alice Merz, Chair

1. Nothing at this time.

Purdue University Committee on Institutional Affairs

Peter Dragnev, Chair

1. PUCIA held an election for an Intercampus Faculty Council member, and John Niser was elected.
2. PUCIA has staffed the Academic Personnel Grievance Committee.

Student Affairs Committee

Kathy Pollock, Chair

1. Revision to the Student code of Conduct as suggested by Purdue in regards to inclusivity.
2. Revision to the Student Code of Conduct as suggested by Purdue in regards to a grief absence policy for students.
3. Discussed policy to ban scheduling of sporting events during finals week.

Subcommittee of the Student Affairs Committee:

Athletics, Subcommittee on

Mark DeLancey, Chair

1. Discussed changes in the membership of the Summit League, to which we belong.

University Resources Policy Committee

Ann Livschiz, Chair

1. No report received.

Subcommittees of the University Resources Policy Committee:

Academic Computing and Information Technology Advisory Subcommittee

Michael Wolf, Chair

1. No report received.

Budgetary Affairs Subcommittee

Susan Ahrens (no chair elected)

1. Nothing at this time.

Library Subcommittee

Gail Hickey, Chair

1. Beginning process for library's first academic program review
2. Survey of student needs for the Learning Commons
3. Library was granted a full 10-year accreditation following the North Central Accreditation Team in 2011.
4. Library Subcommittee informed and updated regarding major projects affecting Helmke Library resources, including but not limited to:
 - (a) Implementation of Phase 1 of the Learning Commons
 - (b) Relocation of University Archives to Helmke basement from Ginsberg Hall
 - (c) Grant to IPSGA for iPad purchase for student loan
 - (d) Extended hours to 24/7 during dead week and Finals Week supported by Student Affairs and Library staff;
 - (e) Helmke Annual Report received second place in ADDY award competition