

TO: The Senate
FROM: Executive Committee
DATE: 27 February 2012
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. Proposed revision to policy on course audits.
2. Approved 2014-2015 Academic Calendar.
3. Reviewed IPFW policy on the acceptance of credits and grades through the Indiana College Network.
4. Revised room scheduling policy.
5. Discussing the protection of faculty copyright.
6. Working with the General Education Subcommittee on improvements in General Education.
7. Working with the Developmental Studies Subcommittee on revising its charge in the Senate By-laws.

Subcommittees of the Educational Policy Committee:

Calendar Subcommittee

Jody Ross, Chair

1. This semester the Calendar Subcommittee will be reviewing the results of a survey we used to poll faculty, staff, students, and administrators about their satisfaction with the current academic calendar and potential changes to the calendar formula.

Continuing Education Advisory Subcommittee

Sue Skekloff, Chair

1. No report received.

Curriculum Review Subcommittee

Ann Livschiz, Chair (Carol Lawton reporting)

1. Considering the proposals for a Minor in Astronomy, A.S. in Dental Assisting, and a B.S. in Dental Hygiene.

Developmental Studies Subcommittee

Karol Dehr, Chair

1. Nothing to report.

General Education Subcommittee

Linda Wright-Bower, Chair

1. Decide upon specific learning objectives for each of the six General Education areas. If it chooses, the GES may simply approve the list contained in the August 2005 Draft of Learning Objectives.
2. Connect each specific learning objective explicitly to one or more specific foundations contained in the Baccalaureate Framework.

Graduate Subcommittee

(no chair elected)

1. Nothing to report.

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. Working on promotion and tenure.

Subcommittee of the Faculty Affairs Committee:

Professional Development Subcommittee

Matthew Walsh, Chair

1. Supply requested feedback for unsuccessful applicants to the Summer Grant and Senior Summer Grant programs.
2. Evaluate (at the request of the VCAA) a sabbatical application outside of the usual timeframe.
3. Evaluate and discuss changes to the format and assessment of the Summer Grant and Senior Summer Grant applications.

Indiana University Committee on Institutional Affairs

Stanley Davis, Chair

1. Mike Nusbaumer replaced Geri Miller who is on sabbatical.
2. Committee has monthly scheduled IU University Council Meetings with members of all regional campuses and IU Bloomington with top IU administrators. Discussions range from salary and benefit issues to campus governance to scheduling and any other issues participants which to raise.

Nominations and Elections Committee

Alice Merz, Chair

1. Completed elections for the Speaker of the IU Faculty and Presiding Officer of the Faculty.
2. Collecting nominations for various Senate subcommittees.

Purdue University Committee on Institutional Affairs

Peter Dragnev, Chair

1. Nothing to report.

Student Affairs Committee

Kathy Pollock, Chair

1. Nothing to report.

Subcommittee of the Student Affairs Committee:

Athletics, Subcommittee on

Mark DeLancey, Chair

1. No report received.

University Resources Policy Committee

Marc Lipman (reporting)

1. Strategic Policy Recommendations for long-term IPFW fiscal stability.
2. Policy Recommendations for 2012- 2013 estimated budgetary shortfall.

Subcommittees of the University Resources Policy Committee:

Academic Computing and Information Technology Advisory Subcommittee

Michael Wolf, Chair

1. Drafting criteria and procedures for adopting software for teaching, learning, and research. The policy attempts to balance these goals with computing capacity and security.
2. Deciding whether to adopt the IU policy on third-party software programs (use of social networks, blogs, wikis) for instructional purposes. The document will ensure faculty may use these tools while making sure that IPFW critical information, FERPA regulations, intellectual property, and student preferences are considered.

Budgetary Affairs Subcommittee

(no chair elected)

1. No report received.

Library Subcommittee

Gail Hickey, Chair (Cheryl Truesdell reporting)

1. Development of the library's first program review.