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FACULTY SENATE MINUTES FOR January 25, 2005 (Vol. XXXIII, No. 18)

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Notices to Faculty:

Chairs of Elected Councils and Committees should please contact Jean Wolski (cfjkw@eiu.edu) in regards to open seats in their committees during 2005 – 2006 so the Faculty Senate can begin putting together the ballot for elections.

Distinguished Faculty Award [nominations](#), found on the Faculty Senate web site, are due to John Henry Pommier (jhpommier@eiu.edu) by 4 p.m. on 3 March.

Faculty Forum will be Tuesday, 1 February in the University Ballroom from 2 – 4 p.m.

- I. Call to order by Chair David Carpenter at 2:00 p.m.** (Library Conference Room, Booth Library)
Present: J. Allison, J. Ashley, R. Benedict, A. Brownson, D. Carpenter, L. Comerford, R. Fischer, A. HaileMariam, J. Kilgore, M. Monipallil, W. Ogbomo, J. Pommier, J. Stimac, B. Wilson, and J. Wolski.
Guests: B. Lord (Provost and VPAA), W. Hine (Dean, SCE), D. Hoadley (Dean, LCBAS), D. Muffler (VPAA, Student Government), J.C. Miller (Student Government Academic Affairs), K. Mayhugh (reporter, *Daily Eastern News*), and J. LaGauardia (WEIU).
- II. Approval of Minutes of 18 January 2005.**
Motion (Wilson / Fischer) to approve the Minutes, with corrections, of 18 January 2005. Yes: Ashley, Benedict, Brownson, Carpenter, Comerford, Fischer, HaileMariam, Kilgore, Monipallil, Pommier, Stimac, and Wilson. Abstain: Allison, Ogbomo, and Wolski.
- III. Announcements**
 - A. Faculty Senate will meet in Booth Library's Deans Conference Room on 15 February.
 - B. Faculty Development Committee is sponsoring the following talks: Wednesday, February 9, 12-1 p.m. in the Lord Dining Room, Pemberton Hall, "Reaching the Highs and Avoiding the Lows of Mentoring Student Research" by Dr. Paul Switzer; Tuesday, February 22, 8-11 a.m. in the Charleston-Mattoon Room, MLK Union, "Developing and Assessing Thinking Skills in the Classroom" by Dr. Susan K. Wolcott (co-sponsored by CASL); Wednesday, February 23, 12-1 p.m. in the Martinsville Room, MLK University Union, "Faculty Burnout: Predictors and Prevention" by Dr. Bill Addison.
 - C. Senator Brownson announced that open discussion groups focusing on One Book, One University's book – *Nickel and Dimed, On (Not) Getting By in America* will be held in the Library Conference Room (Room 4440) on Tuesday, 1 February at noon and on Wednesday, 2 February at 4 p.m.
 - D. Chair Carpenter announced that President Hencken has appointed Lynette Drake as Acting Vice President for Student Affairs.
- IV. Communications**
 - A. Minutes of 18 November BOT meeting.
 - B. Minutes of 21 December BOT meeting.

- C. Memo from Karla Sanders of 18 January, re: Assessment Forum to be held on Tuesday, 22 February. The workshop presentation will be co-sponsored by the Faculty development Committee.
- D. Email from Keith Wilson of 19 January, re: feedback to supervising administrators. Wilson expressed his concern that feedback must be signed by the evaluator. A brief discussion followed in which it was pointed out that this has been the practice prior to the issue being raised last semester. Chair Carpenter stated that since this issue had already been discussed and voted upon, additional discussion at this time is not appropriate.
- E. CUPB agenda of 21 January with minutes from 10 December meeting.
- F. Presentation for the North Central Association site visit presentation to CUPB of 21 January. Senator Allison asked if the NCA team would meet with Faculty Senate. VPAA Lord replied that the agenda is being put together, but that there will be open faculty sessions. Senator Benedict asked that Senators remind fellow faculty, staff, and students about the upcoming visit (14-16 February).
- G. BOT agenda of 24 January.
- H. Eastern Illinois University's Report to the BOT of 24 January.
- I. Email from Mikki Meadows (and Tami Duzan), re: Thank you for invitation to Faculty Senate on 18 January.
- J. Email from President Hencken of 25 January, re: recommended time line and search committee composition for VPSA position. Advertisements will go out to the Chronicle of Higher Education in February with the application deadline set as 4 March. On-campus interviews will be held the last three weeks in April. The Faculty Senate unanimously appointed Senator Ogbomo as the Faculty Senate representative to the VPSA search committee.
- K. Informational flyers from Senator Ogbomo on 25 January, re: African American Studies Program symposium "Natural Resources in Africa: Curse or Blessing?" on Tuesday, 3 February in the Phipps Lecture Hall (Physical Sciences Building) from 6 – 8 p.m. African American Studies, History, and Political Science departments, along with Career Services, are co-sponsoring a talk on career opportunities in the United States Foreign Service on Thursday, 3 February from 11 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. in the Charleston-Mattoon Room of the MLK Union.

V. Old Business

- A. Committee Reports
 - 1. Executive Committee: no report.
 - 2. Nominations Committee: no report
 - 3. Elections Committee: **Chairs of Elected Councils and Committees should please contact Jean Wolski (cfjkw@eiu.edu) in regards to open seats in their committees during 2005 – 2006 so the Faculty Senate can begin putting together the ballot for elections.**
 - 4. Student-Faculty Relations Committee: D. Muffler reported that Student Senate would co-sponsor that Faculty Forum to be held 1 February. The Panhellenic Council, Interfraternity Council and University Board have all expressed interest in attending.
 - 5. Faculty-Staff Relations Committee: no report
 - 6. Faculty-Forum Committee: no report
 - 7. Budget-Transparency Committee: Senator Allison informed the Senate that he would be contacting VPBA Cooley to check on the status of posting materials to the web.
 - 8. Distinguished Faculty Award Committee – **Distinguished Faculty Award [nominations](#), found on the Faculty Senate web site, are due to John Henry Pommier (jhpommier@eiu.edu) by 4 p.m. on 3 March.**
- B. Faculty Forum: 1 February 2005, in the University Ballroom. Additional reminders will be mailed to all faculty and electronic reminders will be sent prior to the Faculty Forum. The four components of the forum will have the following moderators and recorders:
 - 1. Level of Academic Challenge: Senator Fischer (moderator) and Senator Wolski (recorder)
 - 2. Enriching the Educational Experience: Senator Stimac (moderator) and Senator Allison (recorder)
 - 3. Student Interactions with Faculty: Senator Benedict (moderator) and Senator Kilgore (recorder)
 - 4. Encouraging Active Learning: D. Muffler (moderator) and Senator Pommier (recorder).
- C. Child care at Eastern Illinois University: Senator Pommier informed the Senate that additional data will be collected and that he will ask Chairs for help asking their faculty. Dean Hine stated that this issue

is a powerful opportunity to increase the growth of on campus and off campus student enrollments. He volunteered he help in the survey. Senator Allison stated that A. Zahlan informed him that the co-operative possibility of a child care center sounded like a great idea.

VI. New Business

- A. Senator Fischer asked that since the BOT is now complete, should the Faculty Senate invite them to one of the meetings. Chair Carpenter stated that he would forward the open invitation to attend any of the Faculty Senate meetings.
- B. Senator Fischer asked Chair Carpenter if he knew if Dean Irwin was planning to attend a Faculty Senate meeting in the future. Chair Carpenter replied that he did not, but did understand that Dean Irwin was hoping to inform the Senate about possible changes being made. Senator Allison stated that he hoped to know of changes before they were implemented.
- C. Senator Kilgore asked about crimes on campus. Chair Carpenter stated that he would invite Chief Due to Faculty Senate at some future meeting.
- D. Senator Fischer stated that he would like to have a discussion on the future of Eastern Illinois University, i.e., where Eastern Illinois University will be in five – ten years and what it, and our students, will look like. Senator Benedict added that addressing enrollment in terms of optimal enrollments would be a good addition to the discussion. Senator Kilgore asked if summer term enrollments have been decreasing. VPAA Lord stated that summer session enrollments are down slightly from last year at this time, but that is probably related to a decrease in interest. Lord added that projections are for summer enrollment to increase over the next two or three years as the number of students planning graduation increase. Senator Kilgore asked if summer study abroad is growing. Lord replied that it is and new programs are being added.
- E. Senator Ogbomo suggested that a discussion concerning room/space problems be addressed. There are faculty sharing office space, which in turn leads to motivation and retention issues. VPAA Lord stated that Eastern Illinois University is space especially challenged right now with an increased enrollment and having lost the use of two buildings (Blair Hall and the Doudna Fine Arts Building).

VII. Adjournment at 3:05 p.m.

Future Agenda Items:

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Respectfully submitted,

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