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I. Call to order by Bud Fischer at 2:02 p.m. (Conference Room, 2540 Buzzard Building)


II. Approval of the minutes of January 22, 2002.

Motion (Carpenter/Tidwell) to approve the minutes of January 22, 2002.

Corrections: Carpenter: V. C. line 4: Should be 2001 CUPB Bylaws, not 2000 CUPB Bylaws. V. C. line 6: Extraneous words "as to".

Yes: Benedict, Best, Brandt, Canivez, Carpenter, Carwell, Clay Mendez, Dilworth, Fischer, Scher, Tidwell, Young. Passed.

III. Communications

A. Email from Hugh O'Hara, Student Body President, indicating that he would serve on the Distinguished Faculty Award Committee as the graduate student representative and Seth Quin will serve as the undergraduate student representative.

B. Email from Curtis White, Chair of Council of University Senates, regarding proposed agenda for February 13th meeting.

C. Email from President Hencken appointing David Radavich to the Distinguished Faculty Award Committee.

D. Email from Andy Methven regarding the Faculty Laureate Committee.

E. Minutes of the Committee for the Assessment of Student Learning meeting on January 15, 2002.

F. Minutes of the President Search Committee meeting on January 7, 2002.

G. Minutes of the BOT meeting on October 15, 2002.

H. Agenda for the BOT meeting on January 28, 2002.


Fischer: There was a first reading of a proposed BOT regulation change regarding tuition rates for online courses. Tidwell: Out of state students would pay the same as in state students for online courses. Scher: Students on campus would take the online courses rather than the classroom courses if they were cheaper. Best: The market-based course would allow faculty members to decide the market rate. They would be taking themselves out of the bargaining unit. Carpenter: The President sets the rate, not the faculty member. Tidwell: The purpose of the regulation change is that out of state students pay the same tuition as residents for online courses. Carpenter: I don't see how this regulation would make a faculty member a "free agent". Best: There are implications beyond that. Canivez: If you develop an online course, it's yours. The compensation is negotiable. Benedict: Regardless of contract for online courses, the contract with the faculty determines renumeration.

Please send comments regarding the following proposed BOT regulation to Bud Fischer, cfruf@eiu.edu:

Tuition Rate for Courses Delivered Using Distance Education Technologies

Students registering for University Academic credit course sections designated as "technology delivered" on the course file will be assessed tuition at a single rate determined by the President irrespective of the student's residency status. Other program-specific market-based academic credit program tuition rates may also be approved by the President.

J. Email from Phoebe Church regarding questions about the Chief Fundraiser Search.

Fischer: This is in response to my questions to Dr. Church about an email I received from Senator Young regarding questions a faculty member had about the search procedure. Young: I don't recall receiving notices about interviews for this position. Tidwell: I did get notices. I think it was during finals week.

K. Email from Les Hyder, Representative to the IBHE Faculty Advisory Council, regarding a proposal about "Best practices" for technology enhanced education.

L. Email from Any Methven, Chair of CAA, noting that in order for students to attend commencement under the exceptionality rule, 12 or fewer hours not completed, they must submit an application to do so no later than March 20, 2002.

M. Email from Steve Rich, Alumni Affairs, appointing Jim Louthan as the Alumni Affairs representative to the Distinguished Faculty Award Committee.

N. Email from Andy Methven regarding the new course proposal format it is considering.

The new course proposal form can be accessed at http://www.eiu.edu/~eiucaa/01-36.pdf.
O. Email from Ray Watkins regarding response time of the campus network. Fischer: Bill Witsman, ITS, has a web page with some questions and answers about the network.

A web page written by Bill Witsman about the network can be found at http://www.ux1.eiu.edu/~cswmw/netques.htm

P. Notice from the Haiti Connection with information about Free Trade coffee.
Q. Email from John Allison asking the Senate to request that CUPB address the current state of Eastern’s internal budgeting priorities and irregular and improper action concerning CUPB’s Bylaws at the pervious CUPB meeting.
R. Minutes of the CUPB meeting on January 18, 2002.
S. Agenda for the CUPB scheduled for Friday, February 15, 2002.
T. Minutes of the IAB meeting on January 31, 2002.

V. Old Business
A. Committees
1. Executive Committee: Fischer: I attended the BOT meeting. Topics included the CUPB Bylaw changes, commencement changes and exceptionality.
2. Nominations: Senator Canivez distributed the list of openings on Boards and Councils (attached).

Attention Board and Council Chairs: Please notify Gary Canivez, cfglc@eiu.edu, if the attached list is inaccurate.

3. Elections: Benedict: We will be distributing petitions for nomination, lists of open positions, and a list of questions to be answered by candidates with next weeks minutes. I have emailed someone from each committee asking if the list is correct.
4. Student-Faculty Relations: Benedict: No report.
5. Faculty-Staff Relations: Young: No report.
6. Search Committees:
   a. University President Search Committee: Fischer: We are checking references of the candidates that will be interviewed off campus. Best: Has the list been reduced to 15 candidates? Fischer: Yes. Are the references being checked those supplied by the candidates? Fischer: Yes. Best: When does the process become public? Fischer: March. Best: Will other, non-candidate supplied references be checked at that time? Fischer: Yes.
   b. AVPAA for Technology: Tidwell: We have received about 30 applications so far. We will begin reviewing applications in a couple of weeks. Benedict: Are we placing the ads in the same place as the last search? How will we attract new candidates? Tidwell: The timing is different this time. Last time it was a Fall search. Benedict: Did the ads change in any way? Tidwell: There are some minor changes.

B. Distinguished Faculty Awards Committee: Fischer: The bylaws of the committee require three faculty senators to be appointed to three year staggered terms. That does not work very well with the limited terms of Senators, unless a Senator is appointed to the committee during their first year as a senator.

Motion (Scher/Canivez) Request that the University Foundation consider changing the bylaws of the Distinguished Faculty Awards Committee so that the each of the three faculty senate representatives serve one-year terms. Yes: R. Benedict, J. Best, D. Brandt, G. Canivez, D. Carpenter, D. Carwell, L. Clay Mendez, J. Dilworth, R. Fischer, M. Monippallil, J. Pommier, S. Scher, J. Tidwell, B. Young. Passed.

Fischer: Until our request can be acted on, we need to appoint representatives under the current bylaws. The representatives from last year that are still on the Senate are Senators Canivez and Dilworth. Thier terms are not expired, so we need to appoint one more representative. Scher: I would like to nominate Senator Young. Clay Mendez: I will second the nomination. Canivez: I will resign from the committee so that someone that really wants to serve can be appointed. Carwell: I would like to nominate Senator Scher. Carpenter: I will second that nomination.


Note: To clarify which staggered term was being served by which candidate, it was mentioned that Senator Young's Senate term expires this year, Senator Dilworth's Senate term expire in 2003, and Senator Scher's Senate term expires in 2004. Therefore, Senator Young will have a one-year term, Senator Dilworth will have a two-year term, and Senator Scher will
have a three-year term on the Distinguished Faculty Award Committee. Senator Young will need to be replaced next year.

C. Spring Forum on Faculty Development: Benedict: Attendance was abysmal. What weight would a recommendation based on less than ten faculty members in attendance besides administration and senate members have? Carpenter: I received feedback that we are just creating a wish list. With the state of the budget, it can't be funded. Best: The faculty owns the curriculum and assessment. We also own faculty development. We can start to do it. We don't need a budget. Those energetic enough can do it. Carpenter: We are all pursuing faculty development. I was talking about the poor attendance. Dilworth: Those that were there were passionate. If we say we are disappointed, we would be stabbing them in the back. Benedict: That is not what I was implying. Fischer: We can't go on talking about budget. I'm with John. We can do things. We can make recommendations. Clay Mendez: Some faculty associate faculty development with inertia and not getting things done. Best: Faculty development needs to report to the VPAA. Tidwell: There was a $20K budget when Garret DeRuiter was in charge. Carwell: Move Faculty Development to the Provost. Tidwell: The Senators that attended each session should get together and come up with some recommendations based on the discussions. Carpenter: Item I. C., support release time, travel, and equipment, is a contractual issue. We could make a recommendation to UPI to support those. Scher: Some things were common among all the sessions. Best: Mentoring is not the ultimate in faculty development. Fischer: Most schools have a mentoring program as part of faculty development. Tidwell: Mentoring is not necessarily senior faculty mentoring junior faculty. Young: Mentoring could be help with grant writing. Clay Mendez: It would help if we have a very active grants and research office. Fischer: That office is too small currently and they don't have enough staff to be more active. Young: I didn't mean to criticize Bud May's office. Fischer: Work on some recommendations.

IV. New Business
A. Other: Tidwell: We need to schedule the state of the campus address. Fischer: Take a look at the new CUPB Bylaws. Carpenter: The May 18, 2001 CUPB Bylaws were sent to the BOT attorney last June and returned at the September meeting. CUPB did not revise its official bylaws.

VI. Adjourn: Tidwell/Clay Mendez: 3:40 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Douglas Brandt, Recorder