

JUNE 30, 2011 12:45 P.M. in SKH 301

Present: Jeet Gupta, Ina Warboys, Paul Componation, Carmen Scholz, Bhavani Sitaraman, Jennifer English, Brent Wren (Quorum not achieved)

- Commencement was announced by Dr. Brent Wren with details of which colleges are in which ceremony
 - There was a discussion of times and places and WOW Week and Convocation.
 - We are working on making students feel welcome.
- Jennifer English Faculty Senate President Report:—Presidential search—we have considered about 25 applicants and they have agreed to be candidates—the process is confidential. About 10 that were inappropriate. We are not sending information yet to candidates until we are further into the process—considering some not candidates now but are courting—sitting provosts or presidents and trying to get to be candidates. Will not have anyone identified until late July. Groups A, B, C. The Committee is not in complete agreement on certain candidates. We have not identified anyone that all are behind. Had about 5 small group meetings and had about 30-40 faculty at each one and no one left the meetings upset about the process. Sitting Presidents or sitting Provost would not agree to public interview. Some faculty will not be happy. Will continue diligently but patiently. Some point over next few weeks will do airport interviews. Shorten list from there. Constantly taking new applications so new candidates being added. Still taking nominations. jvines@wheless.com. Jennifer English will check and send information. Please nominate or nominate those who might have connections to suggest candidates. Will send list to the Chancellor and the Chancellor will send to the Board and the Board will vote. If have nominated and don't think candidate has been contacted let Jennifer English know.

Board met this month to approve tuition increase—stayed in middle based on other institutions and SUG. Will have increase in budget over decrease last year. Slight increase overall—proration is anybody's guess. Financially system is in good shape. Talking about salary pool next year. Will know when we have final numbers of fall. Admits up in most colleges. Looks like things going well. Bachelor of Fine Arts approved. PHD and MS in Aerospace, Individualized Science approved. Certificates in Business approved.

Dr. Portera here about 3 days a week. Discussed Arthur Clarke proposal and Observatory. Looks good.

Elections: We are behind on the elections. Several people were nominated for president-elect and ombudsperson did not respond. No ballot sent yet because did not get responses. At this point work with responses we have. Get short bios for president-elect and send out. Some may send bios and some may not. Just asking president-elect. There are 12 candidates for ombudsperson. Send ballots out with all 12 and may have to have runoff. Paul Componation and Jennifer English will meet tomorrow and get election stuff out. Send out July 1 open till August 1.

Did not have combined meeting to elect chairs—sent survey last year to see who would serve and assigned to committees and then first senate meeting asked to elect a chair or through email prior. Do through email. Try to have meeting of current and new senators before campus starts up. First meeting of fall for new and old Senators. Discussed meeting at the Library on Tuesday prior to Convocation for announcing and transferring.

Marcia Green Environmental Health and Safety returned to campus Carmen Scholz is glad she was hired back. There was no monitoring of hazardous materials, labs, etc. when she was gone. Bylaws—decisions on general language Senate or Faculty Senate, etc. like us to be able to vote on this as current Senate but may not be able to unless we do it electronically. Included bills from this year and in past that changed bylaws. Only Chapter did not include was 1 and just did not copy to this file. Everyone has Chapter 1. The change Senate approved allowed non Senators to be on Committees not included on membership description. Election of Senate Officers IV (d) (3) say somewhere by electronic ballot.

Difficult and troublesome—bills submitted Tuesday before, 9 days before Senate Executive Meeting—meant two days prior, take out the word "following."

Emergency items—not clear.

Post and ask all faculty to consider and respond.