Faculty Senate Steering Meeting Minutes December 3, 2014 3 – 5 p.m. Tigert 226

Attendees: Barbara Wingo, Pradeep Kumar, Renee Goodrich, Margaret Temple-Smith, Nicole Stedman, Paul Davenport, Bradley Walters, Chris Hass, Marc Heft, Sue Alvers and Joe Glover.

The meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m. by Pradeep Kumar. The November minutes were approved.

Chair's Report

Pradeep Kumar, Chair

 Dr. Kumar asked the Steering Committee to approve the addition of a proclamation for President Machen to the December 11th agenda. The Committee agreed.

Provost's Report

Joe Glover, Provost

- Dean search for the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences has officially started.
- Law school search for a new Dean will start soon.
- New Dean for Dentistry will arrive in January.

Council Reports

- Infrastructure Council Bradley Walters, Chair
 - Council worked on parking privatization recommendation. The Council wrote a draft recommendation that will be reviewed by the different committees.
 - The Council has been involved with the Campus Plan 2025.
- Academic Policy Council Reneé Goodrich, Chair
 - APC hasn't met since the last Steering Committee meeting. APC's next meeting is next week.
- Welfare Council Chris Hass, Chair
 - Welfare was involved in the development of the Diversity Climate Survey. The Survey is at the IRB.
 - The Council reviewed SERU data and discussed the use of offsite tutoring.
 - Over the past couple years, the council has repeatedly looked at evaluation of teach.
 Plans are to write a "best practice" document.

Marc Heft asked the status of the new CFO search. Provost Glover explained that the university had three candidates for the CFO position but were not able to close the deal with them. A new search was started and interviews will commence once the new president arrives.

- Research and Scholarship Council Jorg Peters, Chair
 - Provost Glover presented information to SCORS at the last meeting. He explained that
 Academic Analytics is a database that includes public information on scholarly activities
 on almost all faculty in the nation.
 - The university has the lowest level subscription which gives the university access to only department and college data. Plans are to increase to the premiere level in the future.

Agenda for the December 11 Faculty Senate meeting was approved with an additional agenda item.

Meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.