

## Senate Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

May 1, 2007 – 9:00 a.m. ASC 2082

**Present:** Hancock, Jewett, Dakkuri, Thapa, Watson, Griffin, Ngoh

**Guests:** Papo

**Past President Dakkuri** announced that he will not begin his sabbatical until Dec. 2007; therefore he should be listed as Past President. He will attend all Executive Committee meetings until his sabbatical begins. President Griffin apologized for the error.

### Retreat Discussion:

1. Thapa would like Senate and Committee absences to be part of a discussion at the retreat.
2. Hancock suggested inviting Dr. Von der Osten to inform Senators of SPARC and Dr. Cron from the Institutional Strategic Planning Council established by the Senate.
3. Dakkuri stated that the retreat should be a limited amount of time, with speakers given time limits.
4. Jewett asked if the Senate Executive Committee allowed visitors, and requested that Papo be listed as a guest on the attendance record. Invited guests have attended Senate Executive Committee meetings and other guests are allowed.
5. Possible retreat locations: 1) Falcon Head or 2) Holiday Inn – Also, a third possibility was submitted to the Senate Office after the meeting by Jewett, the Eagles Lodge on 20 Mile Road. Thapa stated that going off campus helps with nothing, Jewett would like to see the retreat held away from campus.
6. Possible agenda items for retreat:
  - a. Academic Freedom – Invite Miles Postema and James Rumpf for both sides of the issue.
  - b. Discuss why people are not attending committee meetings and what tools are available to ensure that all who want to participate can (conference phones, etc.)
  - c. FSUS100 – Is this worth continuing? What is its purpose? What are the Outcomes? Why did it change from free? Assessment by Shelly VandePanne
  - d. Emeriti office space – informational report at retreat. Dr. Watson will encourage Emeriti president to discuss issue with Dr. Eisler.
  - e. MACRO and transfer students – Contact Carol Quigley for a 20 minute presentation at retreat
  - f. Invite VPAA to report on policies for General Education and its future, also deal with the issues caused by General Education requirements. Copies of all five Gen Ed reports will be distributed to Senators.
  - g. Invite Paul Sullivan to speak on mental health issues
  - h. Invite Mike McKay to speak on safety issues
  - j. Discuss what Open Forum is to be used for at Senate meetings
  - k. Reports on advising from each college

- l. Banner Issues – Where are we? And where are we going? Banner “wish list” to be shared with Senators.
- m. Diversity Officer – Invite Dr. Pilgrim for an update from his office.

Senate Executive Committee meetings: Please send your summer schedule to Paula so that meetings may be scheduled each month.

Membership of the Graduate Council – this committee would like a representative from each Master’s program on campus on the committee.

APR vacancies: The Exec. Committee approved the appointment of James Bandstra and Ron Mehringer to the committee. Dr. Haneline will be advised immediately.

Senate meetings will be tentatively arranged at the West Campus Community Center.

UCC Manual Revision – President Griffin will contact the VPAA’s Office and Dr. Johnson so the revision can begin this summer.

Dr. Griffin will participate on the search committee for the new VPAA.

Meeting dismissed at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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