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**Governors State University
Faculty Senate
Minutes July 16, 2009**

Senators (Present = X):

<u> </u> N. Adam	<u> </u> H. Heino	<u> </u> B. Parin
<u> </u> E. Alozie	<u> X </u> M. Kasik	<u> </u> L. Proudfit
<u> </u> R. Bell	<u> </u> T. Kelly	<u> X </u> W. Rudloff
<u> </u> P. Blobaum	<u> </u> T. Kim	<u> </u> A. Sanders
<u> </u> M. Bruce	<u> </u> J. Klomes	<u> X </u> J. Simon
<u> X </u> B. Essex	<u> </u> C. Luo	<u> </u> E. Wignall
<u> </u> S. Gandy	<u> </u> G. Lyon	<u> </u> B. Wilson
<u> </u> D. Green	<u> X </u> R. Muhammad	<u> X </u> B. Winicki
<u> </u> P. Guimond		

Guests: Provost David Curtis and William R. Kelley

Call to Order

Winicki called the meeting to order at 1:10 p.m.

Minutes

Only six senators were present; therefore, minutes of April, May, and June, 2009, were not reviewed.

Administration Reports

President Report

No report.

Provost Report

Curtis reported the funding for E and F Wings, in the amount of approximately \$22 million, was part of the capital budget passed in the Illinois legislature.

Curtis reported that work on report for the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) is progressing well. Chapters 1, 2, 4, and 5 have been posted for review and comment. Editing and work on Chapter 3 and the Introduction are ongoing. The goal is to send the report to the printer by the end of July.

Executive Vice President Report

No report.

Faculty Reports

University Curriculum Committee (UCC)

No report.

Academic Program Review Committee (APRC)

No report.

Educational Policies Committee (EPC)

Essex, EPC Chair, explained the changes in Policy 9 (G) English Language Proficiency and Policy 26 Grading Policy. These proposed changes originated in the Graduate Studies Council. EPC developed a Policy 9 (U) that is parallel to Policy 9 (G). All three have been approved by EPC and the Senate Executive Committee. The primary proposed change in Policy 26 is the addition of a Continuing Registration (CR) status. The purpose is to eliminate the improper use of Incomplete when students fail to complete research projects, etc., during a single trimester. Students assigned this status would be required to register and pay tuition in subsequent trimesters; this is not the case when an Incomplete is assigned.

Essex reported that the Graduate Studies Council had proposed other changes in Policy 26 that have not yet been acted on by EPC.

There was a general discussion regarding separation of policy from procedures and making faculty aware of policies. In-service meetings for faculty and updating the Faculty Handbook were suggested.

Winicki noted that there are some graduate programs eager to have the CR status available. She asked Curtis if there was a way for the Registrar's Office to begin work on this despite lack of quorum in Faculty Senate. Curtis said that a "sense of the Senate" statement from the Senate Executive Committee would allow him to notify the Registrar's Office.

Graduate Studies Council

No report.

IBHE Faculty Advisory Committee (IBHE FAC)

Winicki announced that Wojcik's term as GSU representative expires at the end of August and a new representative is needed.

Bargaining Unit

No report.

Executive Committee

No report.

Old Business

Resolution regarding Graduate Capstone and Practica

Discussion was postponed until the August meeting because there was not a quorum.

Provost Search Committee Representative

Discussion was postponed until the August meeting because there was not a quorum.

New Business

EPC – Policy Changes (9U, 9G, 26) See above.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 2:10 p.m.