Minutes of the
Third Regular Meeting of the Thirty-Second Senate
Indiana University-Purdue University Fort Wayne
November 12, 2012
12:00 P.M., KT G46

Agenda

1. Call to order
2. Approval of the minutes of October 15, 2012
3. Acceptance of the agenda – K. Pollock
4. Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties
   a. Purdue University – P. Dragnev
   b. Indiana University – M. Nusbaumer
5. Report of the Presiding Officer – A. Downs
6. Committee reports requiring action
7. Question Time (Senate Reference No. 12-6)
8. New business
9. Committee reports “for information only”
   a. Executive Committee (Senate Reference No. 12-7) – K. Pollock
   b. Curriculum Review Subcommittee (Senate Reference No. 12-8) – A. Livschiz
10. The general good and welfare of the University
11. Adjournment*

*The meeting will adjourn or recess by 1:15 p.m.

Presiding Officer: A. Downs
Parliamentarian: J. Malanson
Sergeant-at-Arms: G. Steffen
Interim Secretary: M. Morgan

No record of attendance

Acta

1. Call to order: A. Downs called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

2. Approval of the minutes of September 10, 2012 was moved and seconded.

3. Acceptance of the agenda:

   K. Pollock moved to approve the agenda as distributed.

   The agenda was approved as distributed.
4. Reports of the Speakers of the Faculties

a. Purdue University:

P. Dragnev: The recorder was not able to record the Purdue University report.

b. Indiana University:

M. Nusbaumer: The recorder was not able to record the Indiana University report.

5. Report of the Presiding Officer – A. Downs:

A. Downs: Some confusion has been reported regarding SD 11-23 Student Evaluation Task Force Report, specifically whether the report resulted in recommendations only, or if action by departments was required. I want to reiterate that recommendations only were included in the report, not endorsements. In regards to questions and suggestions for Veteran’s Day, I turn that topic over to Chancellor Carwein.

6. Committee reports requiring action – There were no committee reports requiring action.

7. Question Time (Senate Reference No. 12-6):

S. Sarratore: The vice chancellors are prepared to answer any questions in Dr. Carwein’s absence.

Q. Given 16 tenure-track faculty positions were vacated last year, and that represents approximately 5 percent of all tenure-track faculty, and given recent decisions to recruit for 6 of those positions, which leaves 10 unfilled and represents an approximately 3 percent reduction in tenure track positions, are you planning on filling more of these this academic year? If so, when, and how many? Have you reduced personnel in all other segments of the university by a minimum of approximately 3 percent?

Mike Nusbaumer
Sociology

S. Sarratore: In answer to the first question, I hope so. The budget depends on working for short term solutions. In answer to the second question, yes, we expect a significant number of reductions in other areas.

A. Livschiz: Trends in past years are indicating growth in other areas; all tables suggest others, including administration, are growing.

A. Downs: What is the window of time?

W. Branson: The faculty got hit all at once. Starting in May and June, there were faculty losses at the end of the fiscal year.
G. McClellan: 8 percent of positions are vacant. Then we approved not filling those positions since last spring, mid-academic year, from Student Affairs to colleges. Student Affairs is trying to maintain quality of services: of 6, 4 are advisors and 2 clerical. It is difficult to measure loss of services when positions are left empty (losses from attrition), such as the reduction of service in mail services. How to determine loss of services?


G. McClellen: Regarding advisors, the MAC advisors advise athletes. All others are college based. Currently being considered is moving the MAC advisors to COAS, but cannot at this time.

8. New business: – There was no new business.

9. Committee reports “for information only”

a. Executive Committee (Senate Reference No. 12-7) – K. Pollock:

Senate Reference No. 12-7 (Items under Consideration in Senate Committees and Subcommittees) was presented for information only.

b. Curriculum Review Subcommittee (Senate Reference No. 12-8) – A. Livschiz:

Senate Reference No. 12-8 (Proposal for the Bachelor of Science in Physics, with a Concentration in Biomedical Physics) was presented for information only.

10. The general good and welfare of the University

V. Carwein: Budget reduction guiding principles:

1. Preserving quality of academic programming and services to students.
2. Supporting and instituting priorities.
3. Limit negative impact on employees as much as possible.
   a. To students
   b. To athletic department

Assumptions relative to budget reduction:

1. Budget reduction - $7-8 million
2. No salary increases
3. Fee increases
4. Flat enrollment – money not there
5. Increase in medical insurance premiums
6. Increase in utility rates

W. Branson: It is all on the website. Why did this happen? Enrollment loss - $4.2 million
deficit. We have been spending beyond our budget. Our goal for next year is to get our expenditure base down. On a pie chart, 90 percent is salary, etc. Only 10 percent can we actually work with.

S. Sarratore: Important things are going into the recurring budget.

A. Livschiz: What about verbal commitments and the Chancellor Emeritus?

G. McClellan: We need to establish a “we place.” Financial pressure creates an “us vs. them” environment. Budget practices of the institution grew quickly. Past practices have put us into a tough spot.

C. Crosby: We need to focus on turning this around with transparency.

A. Schwab: Beginning with a basic expense budget.

P. Dragnev: Three years ago the increase that was happening may actually have been a decline.

W. Branson: The budget shortfall last year combined with the on campus drop this year.

P. Dragnev: We discussed it last spring.

W. Branson: High school duel credit has gone up.

S. Sarratore: The number of credits has increased.

V. Carwein: Each college, each unit has its own budget. We are also looking at the number of activities we support in the Fort Wayne community: 2 July 4th events? Do we need these?

M. Nusbaumer: First, unfunded attachments to the budget.

S. Davis: An issue that deserves explanation.

P. Iadicola: One part of budget is the enrollment. How do we make projections?

G. McClellan: Indiana graduation rate, Michigan and Ohio, historical record, and environmental variables.

A. Livschiz: Number of sources. Athletics is not in the pie chart. No auxiliary operations will help us.

S. Sarratore: There has been a huge hit in enrollment in Education for summer. And a general decline in summer enrollment.
M. Nusbaumer: I strongly encourage enrollment management.

11. Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 1:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Marilyn Morgan