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April 4, 2013

4:00 p.m.

ACADEMIC FORUM 201

PRESENT: G. Bamberger, L. Barish, J. Delle, P. Dewey, S. Fernando, R. Fliszar, P. Royse (sub for R. Grapsy), H. Hamlet, D. Immel, L. Irving, D. Johnson (President), Y. Kim, A. Kirshman, J. Kremser, M. LeBosse, S. Lem, J. Lizza, K. Logan, T. Maskulka, K. McCloskey, T. Williams (sub for T. McNally), K. Prock, P. Reed, D. Aruscauge (sub for C. Sacchi), J. Ronan, G. Schaper, J. Schlegel, M. Sims, R. L. Smith, C. Wells (sub for C. Vargas), P. Walsh-Coates, C. Watson,

ABSENT: A. Arnold, A. Awadallah, C. Bloh, N. Butler, J. Cevallos, F. Cortez-Funk, K. Gardi, J. Gehringer, R. Gross, E. Hanna, J. Jackson, J. Laskoski, M. Mahosky, B. McCree, C. Nordlund, C. Rutherford, A. Walz, G. Zelleke, B. Zigner

GUESTS ATTENDING: P. Keldson, D. Beouguer, J. Cohen-Hamilton, G. Clay, R. Zigenfus

- I. Call to Order
 - meeting called to order at 4:08 pm
- II. Announcements
 - Honorary Degrees for spring graduation
 - Lisa and Kermit Oswald, Owners, Sorrelli Jewelry Store, *Doctor of Laws*
 - Arenda L. Wright Allen, Federal District Court Judge, Eastern District of Virginia, *Doctor of Public Service*
- III. Approval of the Agenda
 - no objections/approved by vote
- IV. Approval of the Minutes from March 7, 2013
 - approved by vote (motion J. Dell, 2nd M. LeBosse)
- V. Old Business
 - Institutional Climate Report
 - motion from IC Task Force to establish a permanent IC Committee
 - summary presentation of results and reasoning from J. Cohen-Hamilton
 - focus of committee would be on areas of dissatisfaction reflected in the survey
 - motion to discuss (K. McCloskey, 2nd J. Dell)
 - too many committees
 - responsibilities already addressed by other organizations
 - data that goes nowhere
 - needs to be ongoing to facilitate survey again in 5 years
 - motion to close debate (P. Walsh-Coates, 2nd R. Smith)
 - original motion approved by vote
- VI. President, Committee and Task Force Reports

A. Senate President's Report (D. Johnson)

- dates to look at spring elections
- incident at another school of taping others and posting (civil and criminal offense)
- food for final senate meeting of the year will be provided by a KU sorority
- Prezi (presentation format program) not in compliance with ADA
 - may provoke responses in autism/seizure disorders and hearing impaired

B. Committee on Committees Report (J. Schlegel for A. Arnold)

- mistakes on some Willingness To Serve descriptions-will be corrected in the Fall call for Willingness to Serve.

C. Comments from President Cevallos (not present)

D. Updates on Connections (A. Kirshman)

- changes include
 - moving from 2 to 1 day in length
 - more choices of dates
 - smaller, more personal groups
 - 15 times instead of 9
 - hoping for more parent/family participation

VII. New Business

-Class Attendance Policy (K. Danielson)

- motion to amend to add words "or first day hand-outs" (no objection – added to original motion)
- clarification-attendance *can* be used toward final grade
- motion to amend to insert words "if requested" (R. Smith, 2nd J. Delle) (visual vote passes 12-6)
- motion to approve (passed as amended)

-ConC motion to have the Student Media Board report to Student Governance Board and Dean of Students.-motion passed.

-ConC motion revise mission and membership of Library Committee. – motion tabled.

- concerns about appropriateness of the term 'space'
- motion to table (L. Barish, 2nd P. Dewey) (vocal vote passes)

-Motion from Senators: G. Schaper, R. Smith, K. Prock – Motion for the Senate to endorse the immediate activation and configuration of SharePoint. Discussion included a report from M. Freed that implementation would commence in the summer. The motion to refer to ATC for comment (J. Dell, 2nd P. Dewey) – motion passed.

VIII. As May Arise

- motion to adjourn passes (5:35 pm)

submitted by CWatson

4/12/13