

Academic Senate
January 18, 2011
4:00pm
Brockmann Center Conference Room

Members Present – Larry Strizich, Darlene Sellers, Greg Clouse, Lanny Wilke, Steven Don, Bob Johnke, Tom Welch, Carol Reifschneider

Guest – Jay Howland

Call to Order – Larry called the meeting to order at 4pm in the Brockmann Center Conference Room

Minutes – the minutes from November 9, 2010 are approved and 2nd with changes.

Administrative Reports – none

Old Business –

- I. Discussion of Mission Statement/Core Themes
 - A. Standard I by Northwest is due September 1th. We need to come up with four or five themes that can be assessed. For more information go to nwccu.org, Standard One. The 12/07/10 edit came from the executive staff; the 01/18/11 edit came from what Darlene worked. Tom stated that this is an extremely important document. He asked if the groups should take 01/14/11 and 01/18/11 edits to their colleges to go over them and get rid of the 12/07/10 edit. Lanny moved to look at 01/14/11 and 01/18/11 edits and come back to the senate. Carol 2nd the motion and said we should survey the colleges. The question was called and all approved.
 - B. It was recommended that we have someone from NWCCU and BOR look at this new mission. It needs to be done by the end of the semester for the July BOR meeting. Greg C. nominated Tom to chair this group along with Darlene and Carol. Jay will be a resource. Larry moved to have Greg in charge to make sure credit is due to those on the committee. All approved. Larry will present this at the full faculty next Tuesday January 25th.
- II. IRB Committee
 - A. The committee met today. They will put together the preliminary proposal to the senate.
 - B. Make sure we perform ethically when doing research on human subjects. Process needs to be put in place.
- III. Emeritus
 - A. Lanny went through and made some changes/suggestions. Larry would like to see more done. Greg said that there is no formal application process. The Senate was asked if this issue is something we want to worry about. If so, we need to create a small group to work on this and bring it to

the Senate. Lanny will take ideas from the faculty. We will keep this issue on old business.

New Business –

- I. Honorary Doctorate degrees
 - B. The policy was written by the Chancellor and sent to the President. Darlene asked if this should have come to the Senate faculty. Someone should talk to the Chancellor about this. Apparently Larry, Norton, and Kathy were asked to be on the committee, but were never asked for any input.
- II. Full Faculty Meeting
 - A. Larry will talk about the mission statement, IRB, new faculty, and an update on the legislative session that will be affecting us. The faculty will be emailed an agenda.
- III. Getting the community involved with the University
 - B. We need to get people on campus. The Chancellor suggested a progressive dinner. We need to showcase Northern to the community. Carol suggested we have buildings open during the graduation. Greg said we should be talking to business and community leaders. He suggested a small committee should come out from the senate. Carol stated that we have opportunities on campus with community appreciation.

Announcements –

- I. Larry told the senate about the open meeting law. It pertains to all subcommittees unless the group is talking about specific students.

Larry moved to adjourn the meeting.

Adjourned - Meeting Adjourned
Recording Secretary: Lourdes Caven
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