

Senate Council
March 28, 2011

The Senate Council met in regular session at 3 pm on Monday, March 28, 2011 on the 18th floor of Patterson Office Tower. Below is a record of what transpired. All votes were taken via a show of hands unless indicated otherwise.

Chair Hollie I. Swanson called the Senate Council (SC) meeting to order shortly after 3 pm.

1. Minutes from March 7 and Announcements

Grossman **moved** and Wasilkowski **seconded** the approval of the minutes from March 7, 2011 as distributed. There being no discussion, a **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

2. Old Business

d. Proposed New Administrative Regulation 1:6 ("Formulation and Issuance of University Regulations")

The Chair invited Associate Legal Counsel Marcy Deaton to go over the new *Administrative Regulation*. Guest Deaton also provided SC members with an overview of University regulations and policies.

3. SACS Comprehensive Standard 3.7.1 (formerly "CIP Codes and Faculty Teaching Qualifications") - Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness Connie Ray

The Chair welcomed Vice President for Institutional Effectiveness Connie Ray to offer information about the previous concern of SC members that the Southern Association for the Accreditation of Schools and Colleges (SACS) was going to use a faculty member's graduate degree as the basis for assigning approval to teach courses. Associate Provost for Faculty Affairs Heidi Anderson was also present for the discussion.

SC members asked a variety of questions.

4. UK's Administrative Structure - VP for Institutional Effectiveness Ray

Moving to the next agenda item, the Chair asked Guest Ray to talk about the administrative structure. Ray explained that the growth in the number of administrators, as reported by the Herald-Leader, was due to a change in how UK reports academic administrative positions. Provost's Liaison Greissman added that the regulations had recently changed with respect to faculty in certain administrative positions, to better determine who was eligible to serve as or vote for faculty senators and faculty trustees.

5. Proposed Program Review Council - VP for Institutional Effectiveness Ray

Ray explained the proposed program review council, which will serve as an advisory body. Grossman commented that having a member from the University Senate would be beneficial. In response to Steiner's question about the impetus for the new advisory body, Grossman opined that having an independent body offer input would help Provost Subbaswamy, in the event that a dean or department chair was not making the best decisions.

Other SC members strongly felt that the proposed Program Review Council include faculty as members, perhaps even as chair of the group.

6. Request to Waive Senate Rules 5.2.4.8.1 for Two Sections of MA 202

The Chair referred SC members to the rationale behind the request to waive *Senate Rules 5.2.4.8.1* for two sections of MA 202. Shelly **moved** that the SC waive *Senate Rules 5.2.4.8.1* for two sections of MA 202 (sections 005 and 401) for spring 2011, and Anderson **seconded**. There being no discussion, a **vote** was taken and the motion **passed** with none opposed.

7. New Senate Award

Anderson offered information about the proposed new University Senate Award. After some discussion among SC members, it was decided that information about the award would be emailed to senators the following day.

8. Provost Subbaswamy

The Chair welcomed Provost Kumble Subbaswamy, and he and SC members discussed distance learning issues, curricular approval process improvements, and salary compression. It was a lengthy discussion.

The meeting was adjourned shortly after 5 pm.

Respectfully submitted by Hollie I. Swanson,
Senate Council Chair

SC members present: Anderson, Blonder, Grossman, Kirk, Steiner, Swanson, Thelin, Wasilkowski and Wermeling.

Provost’s Liaison present: Greissman.

Invited guests present: Heidi Anderson, Marcy Deaton, Connie Ray and Provost Kumble Subbaswamy.

Prepared by Sheila Brothers on Tuesday, June 14, 2011.

#	√	Item	Responsibility	Completed
5.		SC subset to examine and revise the description of the administrative coordinator’s job duties with a view towards increasing compensation. (7/14/10)	Grossman, Chair	
20.		Charge Senate's Academic Programs Committee with creating processes for substantive change issues (teach-out, contractual/consortium process, off-campus sites, how to reopen a suspended program). (8/23/10)	SC	
26.	√	Query VP IRPE Connie Ray about number of administrators at UK vs. benchmark institutions. (9/20/10)	Mrs. Brothers	2/1/2011 & 3/28/11
31.		Ask the Provost to submit a statement of financial and administrative feasibility for proposals prior to the proposals being sent to cmte. (10/4/10)	Greissman/SC	
36.	√	Send solicitation for Commencement Cmte Co-Chair to college associate deans. (10/18/10)	Mrs. Brothers	04/2011
40.		Draft changes to <i>Senate Rule</i> language on Senate meeting attendance policies for review by SC. (8/30/10 & 11/15/10)	Chair, Steiner	

42.		Discuss with the Provost the method of allocating resources from distance learning courses. (11/15/10)	Chair	
44.		Create ad hoc committee (perhaps with VPR and Provost) to look at what constitutes an administrative or an educational unit, and if there is a continuum or a sharp difference. (11/22/10; 12/6/10)	Chair, SC	
46.	√	Discuss election of officers, specifically who is eligible to cast votes. (12/6/10); Solicit opinions from the Senate. (2/28/11)	SC	05/2011
48.		Create a charge for a committee to review DL courses. (12/6/10)	Chair, SC	
53.		Investigate "Quality Matters" WRT distance learning courses. (1/10/11)	SC	
57.		Look into creating a Senate committee on assessment. (1/31/11)	SC	
59.	√	Invite Board of Trustees members and chair to April "State of Faculty Affairs" address. (1/31/11)	Mrs. Brothers / Chair	03/2011
60.		Deliberate during summer retreat(s) on what the SC's strategic vision is for academic facilities. (1/31/11)	SC	
62.		Determine how to address the issue of the proportionate representation of appointed Board of Trustees members. (2/7/11)	SC	
63.		Invite UofL employment ombud to SC meeting after joint ombud cmte visits the University of Cincinnati. (2/21/11)	Mrs. Brothers	
65.		Invite Associate Provost for Undergrad Ed to offer "State of Undergraduate Education" address to Senate. (2/21/11)		
66.		Invite Associate Provost for Academic Affairs about distance learning courses. (2/21/2011)	Mrs. Brothers	
65.	√	Query Connie Ray to explain use of CIP codes for courses and faculty. (2/28/11)	SC	03/2011