

Senate Executive Committee
Monday, March 14, 2011
Minutes

Convocation 2011 – The Executive Committee received an update from Dan Krane and Robert Sweeney on preparations for an expanded Convocation for September 2011.

Senate Bill 5 – The committee received an update from Jackie Bergdahl on Senate Bill 5. The Ohio Faculty Council is in the process of creating a Resolution opposing SB 5 and is asking that all OFC members take the Resolution to their colleges for endorsement. The EC agreed to place the Resolution on the April 4 Senate Agenda.

Certificates – Senate Executive was tasked with exploring the issue that some certificates being issued by Wright State University are not subject to review by appropriate entities. Each EC member will inquire within their college what certificates are being issued and report back at the April 18 EC meeting. The Registrar and Chair of UCAPC will also be consulted.

Timeblock Changes – Executive Committee was asked to consider amending the Semester Timeblock Model to include an additional early class period to alleviate a classroom shortage expected with the semester transition. Upon reviewing the current Semester Timeblock, it appeared that an earlier class period was currently available. After discussion, the Executive Committee opted to seek input from Associate Provost Tom Sudkamp and UCAPC Chair, Tom Sav before moving forward.

Free Speech – The Free Speech Policy as submitted by the Ad hoc Free Speech Committee has been indefinitely postponed pending negotiations between the Administration and AAUP. Senate will revisit it at a later date.

Conflict of Interest Policy – Executive Committee agreed to place the policy on the April 4 Senate Agenda, providing the committee had no major concerns as they reviewed the document post meeting.

School of Graduate Studies Name Change – The Executive Committee supported the name change from School of Graduate Studies to Wright State University Graduate School and placed the item on the April 4 Senate Agenda.

Ad hoc Student Conduct Committee Recommendations – Executive Committee received recommendations from the Ad hoc Student Conduct Committee and reviewed these. After discussion, the EC asked Jackie Bergdahl to contact the chair for clarification on some aspects. The EC will revisit the discussion at its April 18 meeting.

Combined Degree Programs – UCAPC and Graduate Council are working jointly on preparing a policy on Combined Degree Programs, which would allow undergraduate students to take graduate courses and complete both undergraduate and master's degree requirements in five years. If the policy is prepared in time, it will be part of the April Senate Agenda.

The committee approved the Agenda for the April 4, 2011 Senate meeting.