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FACULTY SENATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES BY TIGER ROBISON (APOLOGIES IN ADVANCE)
November 3, 2025, **12:30-2:15pm'ish**
Wyoming Union 315

Members present: Ashley, Gregg, Ray, Bradley, Tiger. Admin: David Bagley. Absent: Vladimir, Beau.

1. Approval of Agenda for November 3, 2025
 - Gregg moved, Bradley seconded, motion carried.
2. Approval of the Minutes of October 27, 2025
 - Gregg moved, Ray seconded, motion carried.
3. Chair's Report
 - Presidential Search update
 - Search is live/materials on site
 - Search officially announced live this morning. Committee can share timeline only, not many details. Story in Wyoming Tribune Eagle: negative editorial to potential presidential candidates -Roger McDaniel.
 - Follow-ups
 - Shared Gov Comm.
 - Report forthcoming by end of month, light on actionable items, clear on violations of uniregs on shared governance.
 - AI efforts – Meeting with Micelle Hilaire/potential efforts with Mia Williams/Student Interaction committee/Student probation and academic dishonesty efforts to begin
 - Concerns about academic dishonesty. Probation issues with 1st and 2nd year students getting F's early on and being unable to get off probation. Steve Barrett and sub-committees taking inventory of AI activities. Rob inquired about a full-time AI person on campus (salaried). \$4 million for AI this year, where is that money? How is school of computing involved?
 - Other regular meetings – President Seidel
 - Rob raised AI full-time person with Seidel, who listened but replied that there is no money for it.
 - "Five alarm fire" of AI discussion.
 - "What can we tell the state what a UW graduate looks like" discussion: possible JAC outcomes looking scary for higher ed, discussion about perception of "too many programs" at UW. Sympathy but no commitments from Seidel.

- Scott Turpen Meeting: A&S considering getting rid of Diversity and Global USP designations, that decision would go to departments. Rationale: transfer students can't get these credits.
 - Other - recognition of retiree access issues to Outlook.
 - Back in August, Microsoft cut off Outlook access to "board retirees."
 - Update: Now asking retirees to self-identify to help restore their access.
 - *Need clarification on emeritus status and processes moving forward*
4. Continued Discussion: Consideration of Faculty Senate Committees, committee rules and processes.
- follow-up on discussion last week. Initial suggestions following my suggestions – note Ray Fertig has forwarded Thoughts. Summary:
 - i. Some colleges contribute to committees as they would like (some are essential)
 - ii. Consider eliminating Faculty Recognition Committee (combining with Faculty Rights and Responsibilities committee), Libraries committee (they don't answer to faculty senate, but picking journals is worthy of a committee, Rob is reaching out to Libraries Dean).
 - iii. No students can chair a committee
 - iv. Executive committee can stand in for other committees in emergency circumstances (e.g., non-functioning committees through unforeseen circumstances)
 - v. Budget Committee: Almost never have appropriate expertise, but killing it has implications for shared governance efforts (involved in sticky administrative decisions). Do we leave it alone right now?
 - vi. *Need to find out how P and Q designations come about* which could affect some committee make ups.
 - vii. Rob will clean this document up with these proposed changes, will review 11/10/25
5. Review Faculty Senate General Meeting agenda for Nov 3.
- Note Resolution 500 added. APC finally has quorum, now they are flooded with programs to review, materials won't be ready for November Trustees meeting. Possibly reviewing some in November, some in December during Trustees virtual meeting. Sub-surface certificate has a sticking point. Concerns about the timing of this approval process (moved up two months than previous years).
6. Review of themes from Joint Faculty/Staff meeting – next steps?
- Four themes: community and belonging, work environment and wellbeing, impact and continuous improvement (student outcomes, how we serve the state), communication and collaboration.
 - Now adding "Transparency and Shared Governance"
 - i. Title 9 abuses
 - ii. Retaliation
 - iii. Framing of information to the Trustees, who shapes the narrative?

- iv. Favoritism
 - v. Space allocation
 - vi. Follow the letter of the policy vs. following spirit
 - 1. Accountability/enforcement of policy (policy is useless if not enforced)
 - 7. Resolution 497: Anti-Human Trafficking and Forced Labor updated SAP (attached).
 - Review and proposed edits for Full Senate Meeting
 - i. Additional thoughts from Ray: English usage comments, “living conditions” “type of credential” “duration of credential” concerns, section H concerns about return fare.
 - 8. Introduction: Resolution 498: Student Death Notification Protocol.
 - Review proposed edits for Full Senate Meeting
 - 9. Introduction: Resolution 499: Unmanned Aerial Systems (Drone) Policy - postponed.
 - 10. Introduction: Resolution 500: SER/CEPS Subsurface Energy Certificate Program Proposal.
 - Newly added to Faculty Senate Agenda
 - 11. Items not yet known.
 - Start Right Plus concerns from Ray (echoed by everyone else): students not having permanent access to books they need once the course ends (as feared). Grad students being rolled into it. Unreceptive from bookstore people (Misty).
 - 12. Adjournment
- Ray, seconded by Tiger, motion carries.
- 13. Executive session