

Faculty Senate Report
Tuesday, 6 February 2007
3-5pm, Plaza Room, Administrative Center

1. Opening of meeting, information items- Driever
 - Additions to or modifications of the Agenda
 - ✓ Minutes of 23 January 2007
 - ✓ Request from Drew Bergerson to revisit IRB discussion.
 - ✓ Report/outcomes of Chair Ebersole's meeting with John Baumann, Research Office:
 - ✓ IRB will immediately move to institute a simple one-page form for requesting exempt status modeled on UMSL's
 - ✓ we will elect 50% of the faculty on the IRB's through a Senate-held election this spring, for membership starting in Fall '07
 - ✓ we will review the current practices dealing with student research w/ the goal of simplifying & expediting that process as well.
 - ✓ Bergerson would like to charge IRB with a. the recording, exempting, reviewing, approving, rejecting, and appealing of research project proposals for human subject research; b. the reporting, dismissing, reviewing, censoring, and appealing of breaches in the IRB's policies for human subject research; as well as c. any other matters which might pertain to the functioning of the IRB as an institution of effective and efficient faculty self-governance.
 - ✓ Please e-mail Chair Ebersole (ebersoleg@umkc.edu) with any problems people have with the admission process.
 - Randy Gardner, Jim Durig, Wanda Temm have all agreed to stand for election to the Support Costs Review Committee. Randy would be the Bloch representative.
 - ✓ Discussion re candidates.
 - ✓ Votes: Durig 8; Temm 16; Gardner 24
 - Question for Senate – would they sponsor a Senator attending Missouri AAUP conference on 24 February. Topics include Higher Education in Missouri, issues regarding tenure. See <http://www.stladjuncts.org/> for more information. Senators concur that Senate should sponsor three attendees.
2. Provost Bubacz (moved to beginning of agenda due to teaching schedule)
 - Questions?
 - MOHELA information changes from week to week.
 - Presidential search committee will have faculty from each campus.
 - Putting together a search committee for Dean of SCE.
 - Also putting together a search committee for Vice-Provost for Life and Health Sciences Research
 - Question: is there a statement about the duties and responsibilities for this new Vice-Provost? Yes, forwarded to the chancellor.
 - What are the duties? A person who seeks opportunities for interdisciplinary research and facilitates discussion/research.
 - Question about what's the history for the Presidential Search and the qualification for Curator's professors from the faculty? Response: Curators have decided they will be the search committee and they determined that Curators' professors (teaching and research) will be the pool for faculty representatives on the search committee.

- Provost wondered if emeritus Curators' professors would be eligible for this.
 - Question about the U News scolding College faculty for cancelling classes because of weather. Response was that the instructor would call their chair who would call the Dean – then obtain approval.
 - Question about job searches and the process regarding affirmative action questionnaire for candidates. Support needed to make the process go smoothly and receive better response for the data (pre-stamped postcards or SASE). Provost said that next year the questionnaire will be online. The questionnaire response isn't the only data used to estimate good faith effort. Recruitment efforts and process are also part of the determination.
 - Acknowledged need to improve systems.
 - Question about any positive momentum behind undergraduate council. Provost responded that yes, Senate will manage the election.
3. Parking and Traffic Committee – Jerry Place, Dennis Cesari (3:30pm)
- ✓ 9 members on the parking committee; 3 faculty, 3 staff, 3 students
 - ✓ Meet every other day (or so it seems)
 - ✓ 90% of time is spent listening to appeals
 - ✓ Have had some business meetings, looking at changes; made changes to parking regulations – go read them online (<http://www.umkc.edu/adminfinance/parking/parkingregulations.asp>)
 - ✓ Looking at parking budget – parking violations is a \$500,000 income line.
 - ✓ Cesari has made a proposal for tiered fees and it is with the chancellor.
 - ✓ Question about last-resort parking at a metered space. Faculty and staff will not be ticketed in those instances.
 - ✓ If faculty do not pay their tickets now, they will “chased down.”
 - ✓ Outside folks can send their tickets to parking operations (visitors, low-income law clinic clients, etc.).
 - ✓ Concern about convoluted procedures needed to bring in community members for various boards, etc.
 - ✓ Question about how many visitor spaces are available for campus guests.
 - ✓ Need a better system to deal with visitors.
 - ✓ Question for a financial condition report from parking. Monies were sent to a mandatory transfer account, monies also sent to a non-mandatory transfer account. Where did that money go – set aside for maintenance, erecting additional parking? Where are the profits going?
 - ✓ Cesari-- \$1.7 or \$1.9 sent to system for investing. Two numbers -- \$1.9 in a parking fund, not used for anything else, fund balance is at bottom of sheet.
 - Debt coverage ratio on spreadsheet has to be a minimum of 1.5 – currently have more reserves than needed. Trying to build reserves for new parking structure(s). Do not want to have to raise parking rates more than current projection.
 - Projected 10% increase in parking rates through 2010.
 - Question about thinking beyond new parking places – develop shuttle services, better cooperating with KC for transportation alternatives. Response from Cesari – working with KC ATA, especially regarding student needs. Taking proposal to chancellor this week.
 - Question about how larger, more congested cities address this – various employers pay for bus passes, etc.

- Question about visitor parking. If guests receive tickets, collect them and return to parking with a note.
 - Question about what tickets should say for visitors—could wording on the tickets tell visitors what to do?
 - Are there any parking lots that have administrative control with the deans? Cesari – the only lot with different controls is at the dental school and there are no current plans to change those controls. Will any other deans be able to take over controls of their lots. Cesari notes there are no plans to relinquish control for other lots. Dental has a history.
 - Members of the public that pay for specific one-time classes here. Have the changes in parking been made clear to staff who work with those folks? Response was no.
 - Ratio of permits to parking violations suggests unhappy customers. What are other urban universities doing about parking?
 - Place notes that Kansas City has unique features. For example, no mass transit system to speak of. Are looking at various models.
 - A senator notes that Johnson County KS is looking at a more widespread model using smaller buses to cover more areas. Concerned about “vicious” cycle regarding mass transit – what feeds which end.
 - What about folks who paid their back tickets? Don’t know how or if refunds can be reissued? Suggestion from a senator that they receive reimbursement in kind.
 - Cesari estimated replacing Oak Street Parking Structure at \$22 million.
 - Send other comments, suggestions to Jerry Place and Dennis Cesari.
4. Faculty Senate Budget Committee Report, Tony Luppino (4:15pm)
- ✓ Budget model proposal, appendices available at <http://umkc.edu/provost/ubc/>.
 - ✓ Responses to questions regarding administrative reductions.
 - Report aggregated 06 and 07; had categories beyond what was originally recommended; and had cuts in excess of the original request from the system. Senate endorsed sending forth the list of questions regarding the administrative streamlining effort to UMKC administration, particularly clarifying details of actions. Concerns also expressed in listing cost funds in report.
 - Unless Senate wants to go further, FSBC decided to not push further on administrative streamlining report and issues brought forth to the Chancellor
 - In terms of new budget model proposal. UBC is trying to finalize the discussion proposal draft, not a final recommendation yet – need to get comments from constituents on the current version of proposal. Will try to get out a package to major constituents requesting comments. Have run into a problem regarding projections. Model has tuition going back to the schools, plus state appropriation based on Delaware report weighting model, minus instruction costs to other schools, support costs. Money also allocated to chancellor’s discretionary fund in this process as well. Without rationale for chancellor’s distribution, do not want to distribute preliminary numbers.
 - Comments still welcome.
 - People are wondering will there be major changes in budgets? How will funding change? Response from Luppino was that the chancellor’s desire is that each unit be self-sufficient. Can’t tell you what the end

game will be. Fundamental notion that schools should keep their own tuition. Chancellor will make decisions regarding reallocation. Luppino notes there is no perfect model, but this is an improvement over existing system.

- Luppino notes there were three adjustments in the Delaware weighting ratios used to calculate state allocation distributions. Deans stated cases regarding ratios to Zielke, those proposals were brought forward to UBC.
- Regarding parking issue, anticipate FSBC will need to examine parking budget more closely and ask more questions about future planning.
- Senator Rice applauds Senator Luppino's work on the UBC and the FSBC.

5. IFC Report – Stancel, Dunbar (4:30pm)

- ✓ Stancel e-mailed her IFC notes to Senate. One of the main issues had to do with paid leave for tenure track faculty, sick leave, FMLA.
- ✓ Lemkuhle will draft a policy and present draft to IFC.
- ✓ Dunbar noted Board of Curators President Walsworth attending IFC a positive and important element of the meeting.
- ✓ Dunbar noted issues to watch include the legislative bill regarding intellectual diversity, and Board of Curators' response to MOHELA revenues.
- ✓ Question about having input from faculty, students, etc. to the Board of Curators regarding expectations of a UM System President. The Board seemed to be fairly clear about the search committee. Walsworth did want to keep lines of communication open.
- ✓ A senator was encouraged to see the mention of a comprehensive study regarding faculty and staff salaries as compared to Big 10 and Big 12 schools. Senator Dunbar noted this was a Walsworth initiative, at the top of his agenda. Desire expressed to make the study results available to all faculty.

6. TABOR video -- <http://www.cbpp.org/ssl-series.htm> (link on upper right hand corner of that page – “The Real Story Behind TABOR” (not viewed)

Meeting adjourned at 4:54pm.

Attending: Driever, Green, Stancel, Dunbar, Gogol, Honigberg, Crossland, Gardner, Hopkins, Durig, Krause, Potts, Mardikes, Knopp, Beard, Fieldman, Rice, Butner, Hood, Luppino, Sistrunk, Johnson, Yang, Foxworth, Rice, Ward-Smith, Igwe

Guests: Emily Iorg, Bob Schubert, Drew Bergerson, Jerry Place, Jeff Thomas, Dennis Cesari, Randy Wray