Indianapolis Faculty Council (IFC)
Minutes
November 3, 2009 ~ Research 3 – Room 203 ~ 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.


Faculty Absent: Laurie Ackerman, Austin Agho, Stephen Allen, Jeff Anglen, Enrica Ardemagni, Carol Baird, Martin Bard, Samantha Bartholomew, Terry Baumer, Marc Bilodeau, Terri Bourus, D. Craig Brater, Marion Broome, James Brown, Janice Buelow, Debra Sue Burns, John Butterworth, Daniel Callison, Ellen Chernoff, Oscar Cummings, Valerie Eickmeier, Scott Evenbeck, Anthony Faiola, Vance Farrow, John Finnell, Jan Fulton, Jay Gladden, Philip Goff, Lawrence Goldblatt, Joseph Harmon, Susan Hyatt, Marilyn Irwin, Sheila Kennedy, Pam Laucella, Virginia Majewski, Deanna Malatesta, Henry Merrill, Mary Beth Minick, Bethany Neal-Beliveau, Bart Ng, Mathew Palakal, G. David Peters, Fred Rees, Lisa Riolo, Kevin Robbins, Gary Roberts, Alan Schmetzer, Robert Schnabel, David Suzuki, Marwan Wafa, Clark Wells, Frank Witzmann, William Wooden, Wanda Worley, and Eric Wright

Agenda Item I: Welcome and Call to Order
IUPUI Faculty Council Vice President, Jeff Watt, called the meeting to order at 3:05 p.m.

Agenda Item II: Adoption of the Agenda as the Order of Business for the Day
The Agenda was adopted as the Order for the Business of the Day.

Agenda Item III: [Action Item] Approval of the IFC October 6, 2009, Minutes
Hearing no objections, the IFC September 1, 2009, minutes stood as written and were entered into record. (http://www.iupui.edu/~fcouncil/minutes/Minutes_IFC 10-6-09.pdf)

Agenda Item IV: Updates/Remarks from the Chancellor
Chancellor Bantz gave the following report:
- Encouraged everyone to stay after the meeting for the State of the Campus Address.
- Thanked Vice President Theobald for attending the meeting to address questions regarding the university budget.
- Kept his remarks brief due to his State of the Campus Address following the meeting.

Agenda Item V: Updates/Remarks from the IFC President
IUPUI Faculty President Simon Atkinson gave the following report:
- The Chancellor’s Review committee has written their final report and the Chancellor has responded to the committee. The next step is for President McRobbie to respond to the report. After that time, the report will be given to the IFC Executive Committee and UFC Agenda Committee and the Chair of the Review Committee will give the report to the IFC and UFC in
Executive Session. This may be done in a joint session and has not been scheduled at this time. It is unlikely that the report will be shared before the spring semester.

- The Constitution and Bylaws changes were approved and electronic voting can be used from this point on.

**Agenda Item VI: [Second Reading and Vote] IP Revenue Policy**
Charles Goodlett, Chair, IFC Research Affairs Committee

Goodlett reviewed the proposal for the second time as well as the questions brought up at the last meeting:

- The committee agreed that unless the units have executed agreements in advance that define the distribution of the campus units’ share of revenues, the recommended policy is mandatory and distribution of revenue should follow that recommended policy. The committee reiterated that this policy does provide for the prospect that the units can agree to alternative distributions in advance of the distribution of revenue. Under those conditions, such agreements will hold.
- The committee confirmed that any agreements among Schools, Departments, and Centers about covering costs for expenses incurred during development of the intellectual property should be made in advance by Contracts and Grants before revenue distribution occurs.

A motion came out of the committee so did not need to be seconded. A vote was taken and the policy was passed.

**Agenda Item VII: [Discussion Item] Indiana University’s Budget**
Neil Theobald, Vice president and Chief Financial Officer

Theobald discussed the handout and reported on the following:

- The state government said our budget projection was too high and; therefore, cut our budget by $1M. We are $254M below that revenue.
- If the revenue figures were to continue down, it is not unlikely that we will see a state funding cut mid-year. 8% of the scheduled state operating appropriation (2009-10) is $16M.
- Cost-containment (number 5 on handout) has been implemented, but it is clear that we are facing the likelihood of a state budget cut and we will need to take additional measures. This sequestered amount would grow by the amount of the state cut. It would be a one-time cash amount.
- He does not see a rapid turnaround in the budget. In the next biennia, he is not optimistic and believes it will stretch out for the next three years.

Questions:

- Is the strategy (cost-containment) the same at all IU campuses? Theobald said he is making people aware that PAE positions can be 10-month appointments. For the most part, this plays out seven different ways on the seven different campuses. Each campus decides the best way to cut its budget. When the budget was cut in the middle of the summer, we left it up to campuses to decide how to do what they needed to do for their respective campuses. Half the non-faculty travel and half the attrition were used and the sequestered amount has been secured at this time. The travel is more complicated. We face a political problem on travel. $42M was spent last year. Legislators and members of the Board of Trustees do not understand what we do and why we travel like we do. How can you cut $800K a week in travel? The travel was simply a political issue.
What is non-faculty travel? Theobald said the intent was to take general fund travel and that he did not understand faculty traveled on the general fund. He assumed it was all administrative travel. So, he cut the general fund travel by 50%, but allowed schools to put the money back when he discovered that faculty did travel by that fund. The deans and chancellors are empowered to put back the travel by faculty.

It would be helpful to educate Trustees on what we do with travel. Can you enlighten us on how this could occur? Theobald said he has faced this for many years. It bothers the Trustees that $42M is being spent on travel. One Trustee feels this amount is too large. He has tried to educate them, but it is not effective at this time.

Has travel funds been restored for faculty travel? Rhodes said that if the dean has restored the funds, it is usable. The deans were given the responsibility to do that.

Do you consult with the Bloomington budget committee before making the decisions on travel? Theobald said he is meeting with various budget committees. Another suggestion was made that the persons working on the budget be creative when thinking of a budget crunch and find ways to work around problems that are software-related. Atkinson said the UFC budget committee will be chaired by John Hassell and he has discussed with the President to have a small faculty group that can be consulted when constructing the budget. The co-chairs of the budget committee and co-chairs of the UFC stand ready to address things that need faculty response if there is not time to pull a faculty committee together.

Atkinson suggested Dan Rives can pay a little more attention to the 10-month situation and place more emphasis on this arrangement for the next budget time.

Repurposing the stimulus money for base budgets instead of building projects. Theobald said there was a 1% budget cut last year for R&R so this was not a major problem. There are conversations occurring now with the federal stimulus money and this would have a huge implication on the budget should this be done.

Is it true that there may be more of a cut than the $8.6M? Theobald said this is true and the campus is looking at ways to find money to cover a cost. This is a decentralized budgeting area. We might have to try some across-the-university changes, but that is down the road.

Some schools are experiencing an enrollment growth? How does that work into university budgeting. Theobald said enrollment was up and we will look at those campuses that had significantly higher enrollment to find money.

Agenda Item VIII: [Discussion Item] Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship
Don Meissner, Woodrow Wilson Fellow
PowerPoint: http://www.iupui.edu/~fcouncil/minutes/WWITF_IUPUI_faculty_council_11.09.pdf

Patricia Rogan, Executive Associate Dean of the School of Education, spoke of how the IUPUI was one of four universities to pilot this program. WWNF is based in the Urban Center for the Advancement of STEM Education. The School of Education collaborates with the Schools of Engineering and Technology and Science. Kathy Marrs is the new director of the Center. Marrs introduced Meissner, who discussed the PowerPoint. The program is in its second year.

Agenda Item IX: [Discussion Item] Jam the Jaguars Bus
Maggie McFarlin, Office of External Affairs Community Relations
Website: http://www.iupui.edu/outreach/community/programs/jam/

McFarlin reported on the following:
- Jam the Jaguars Bus is the annual canned food drive.
- November 24 is the collection date and the items will be delivered to 18 different pantry’s around town.
• Posters and banners were available for distribution on the handouts desk.
• CHIP is the partner for the campaign this year and they are offering to have speakers come to classes to speak.

Agenda Item X: Adjournment
A motion to adjourn was made and seconded. The motion carried. Vice President Watt adjourned the meeting which was followed by Chancellor Bantz’s State of the Campus Address.

Report on Council Actions (per Bylaws Article 1. Section C.3):

Items to be Completed:
Nothing to report at this time.

Items Completed:

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