Indianapolis Faculty Council (IFC) Minutes
November 6, 2012 ~ CE 450C ~ 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.


Agenda Item I: Welcome and Call to Order
IUPUI Faculty Council President, L. Jack Windsor, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. Vice President Ed Berbari arrived shortly thereafter and continued to lead the meeting.

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

Agenda Item III: Memorial Resolution for Dr. Stephen Allen

A moment of silence was given by the assembly, and the resolution was entered into record.

Agenda Item IV: Updates/Remarks from the Chancellor
Charles R. Bantz, Chancellor

Chancellor Bantz gave the following report:

- The ceremony to name the Robert H. McKinney School of Law was held on October 19. The evening before the ceremony, former Governor Evan Bayh delivered the keynote address at the first annual Birch Bayh Lecture.
- President McRobbie delivered the State of the University address on October 9 at IUPUI.
- Search and Screen Committees:
  - Richmond M. Fairbanks School of Public Health: Candidates have interviewed on campus.
  - School of Medicine: The search is in the beginning stages. A public advisory committee as launched recently.
  - McKinney School of Law: The search committee continues to meet.
• Higher Learning Commission Accreditation Visit: The visit began on November 5 and will continue through November 7. The chancellor thanked Professor Trudy Banta and Associate Vice Chancellor Mary Fisher as well as their staffs for their hard work to make the visit successful. An exit interview will be conducted on November 7. The outcome of the visit will not be known until later, although the visitors will share some of their observations at the interview.

Agenda Item V: Updates / Remarks from the IFC President
L. Jack Windsor, President

Windsor reported on the following:
• Parking: The Parking Monetization Committee will meet with Mary Frances McCourt, treasurer of Indiana University, to talk about the next steps in the monetization process. At the October Board of Trustees Meeting, the IUB faculty took a strong stance against privatization. Windsor said IUPUI faculty will wait until an RFP has actually been requested before making any comment. In the meantime, the committee is looking for more evidence to submit to the trustees. President McRobbie said at the University Faculty Council meeting on October 30, that he is open to suggestions to produce a large sum of money if anyone can provide one.
• Merger of the Schools of Information and Library and Information Science: Windsor said the name was changed to the School of Informatics and Computing and has been approved by the Board of Trustees. If there are comments or concerns about the name change, he asks the members to let him know.
• Replacement for Vice President Neil Theobald: No replacement has been named at this time.

Agenda Item VI: [Discussion Item] Open Forum: Name of New School of Informatics and Computing

The following statement was read by Mark Bannatyne, president of the School of Engineering and Technology Faculty Senate, and entered into the record.

Proposed Statement from the School of Engineering and Technology
Faculty Senate to the Indianapolis Faculty Council

The members of the Faculty Senate of the School of Engineering and Technology, has noted with interest the announcement made by the Board of Trustees on Friday, October 12, 2012 concerning the merger of the Schools of Informatics and Library and Information Science. We believe that the resulting new school will add strength to those programs affected, and provide new and innovative research possibilities which will bring favorable attention to the new School and our campus. However, we also wish to note that the action of the Board of Trustees in naming the new school has provided considerable discussion among the Faculty Senate of Engineering and Technology. While we acknowledge that it is the duty, and indeed the responsibility, of the Trustees to approve such name changes, we wish to offer some comments for future consideration in regard to how this matter was conducted.

We appreciate that the selected name, “The School of Informatics and Computing”, was given serious consideration by many, and received support from several levels within the Indiana University hierarchy. However, we are concerned that the use of the term “computing” risks causing significant confusion among current and prospective students in the School of Engineering and Technology and the School of Science, as well as in the communities we serve. We do not wish to suggest that it was the intention of the newly named “School of Informatics and Computing” to sell an idea that they exclusively own all computing courses and programs on this campus, but it may very well be mistaken for that very purpose by the citizens of our State and our colleagues at other institutions of higher learning.
A review of the courses offered in departments outside the future “School of Informatics and Computing” reveals that currently there are at least 204 courses being offered on this campus which have either the word “computer” or a close derivative in its title or official course description. Furthermore, the five degree programs that feature computers or computing most prominently in their names and core content – Computer and Information Science, Computer and Information Technology, Computer Engineering, Computer Engineering Technology, and Computer Graphics Technology – are housed in the School of Science and the School of Engineering and Technology. This is a testament to the fact that computing courses are so engrained in departments across this campus that no one school could hope to champion the computing needs of all programs.

What the members of the Faculty Senate of the School of Engineering and Technology wish to respectfully propose is that before any future name changes occur, whether on this or on any other sister campus with which we are attached academically, that the policies as outlined in Circular U9-2012 entitled “Merger, Reorganization and Elimination of Academic Units and Programs Involving Core Schools” (Approved April 12, 2012 by the University Faculty Council as recommended by the Ad-Hoc MRE Committee dated February 23, 2012), be more closely implemented wherein Provision #1 on Consultation, and Provision #2 on Faculty Response, be adhered to as written which state:

1. “Faculty and student governance bodies shall be apprised of the need or desirability for reorganizing academic units and programs as early as possible in the MRE process of deliberation, so that their informed input may play a prominent and effective role in planning for change. For core schools, this means both the Bloomington Faculty Council (BFC) and Indianapolis Faculty Council (IFC), with notice to the University Faculty Council (UFC). The BFC, IFC, and UFC shall collaborate with administration to constitute an ad hoc MRE review committee for each such proposal, comprised of faculty proportionate to the faculty populations of each school and campus directly involved, and including appropriate representation from other affected units.”

2. “Faculty members, librarians and others (e.g., professional staff), on either campus, shall have a reasonable period of time, to be decided in consultation with the UFC Executive Committee and the ad hoc MRE review committee, to provide feedback to the MRE Committee. They shall be invited to send their concerns to the ad hoc MRE review committee or to the Executive Committee of the faculty council on their campus....”

It is felt that by adhering to these policies that a period of open discussion being held wherein all those who have an interest in the public perception of this institution may be heard, would help diminish any misunderstanding or confusion as to the nature of that school in the eyes of all we serve.

Most respectfully submitted to the Indianapolis Faculty Council for inclusion in the minutes on behalf of the Purdue School of Engineering and Technology Faculty Senate this 6th day of November, 2012.

- MacDorman said the new name and merger was talked about ten days before the Board of Trustees meeting as well as the October IFC meeting. There was enough time to voice opposition.
- In opposition, Atkinson voiced concern that the consultation procedure was not followed. Talks began in May when faculty had gone home following graduation and ten-month employees were not on campus as well. He wanted to go on record to support the statement read by Bannatyne. He made a motion to put the statement in the minutes. The motion was second. There were two votes in opposition of the motion, the rest were positive votes. Therefore, the motion carried.
- Windsor will be going to IU Bloomington to charge the search committee. He will relay the statement information.
- Applegate said the vote to merge was unanimous for SLIS, but they had a majority vote objecting to the merger procedure.

**Agenda Item VII: Questions/Answers**

There were no questions asked.
Agenda Item XIII: Report from the IUPUI Staff Council
Lee Stone, President

Stone reported on the following:
- His goal in the parking privatization matter is to keep staff informed.
- Strategic Planning: Stone serves on the steering committee and is thankful for the opportunity to engage with others on campus on this important topic. The staff is excited about the initiative.
- Higher Learning Commission Accreditation Visit: Many staff members attended the open meeting for staff and were engaged with the HLC visitors. The Staff Council Executive Committee will meet with them as well.
- The Staff Council Blood Drive is November 9.
- Thanked the faculty veterans for their service.

Agenda Item I: Adjournment

Before the meeting was adjourned, the following was discussed:
- Chancellor Bantz welcomed Gene Tempel back to the campus as the Founding Dean of the School of Philanthropy.
- Paydar updated the faculty on the Strategic Plan. There are 15 stakeholders who are meeting regularly, 3 task forces meeting on various issues including enrollment management, a website that will be launched after November 9, and 3 questions that will be introduced for the campus community to respond to. He expects to have some themes identified within two months on which to begin focus.
- Online Education: Paydar spoke of $8 million that has been set aside over three years for the initiative and for use at all campuses. The money will go to hiring faculty and graphic designers. The IUPUI campus is already working on drafts of plans for possible degrees. IUPUI is to focus on graduate and certificate programs. Undergraduate degrees can be considered here if the proposal offers something different than another campus does not already have. Judy Halstead joined the IU Online staff. Windsor asked about assessment of quality courses. Paydar said the schools will do assessment and will be governed by faculty. Every school/campus has a focus on what they want to do. Different schools and programs have different assessment methods for quality.

With no further business appearing, a motion was made to adjourn. The motion passed and the meeting was adjourned for the annual State of the Campus report from Chancellor Charles Bantz.

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

Items to be Completed:
- Election of Representatives to the IUPUI Promotion and Tenure Committee

Items Completed: