

**Faculty Senate  
Regular Meeting  
January 18, 2019  
BE3024  
Minutes**

**Attendees:**

Wes Durham	Peter Cashel-Cordo	Belle Cowden
Charlotte Connerton	Chad Tew	Amy Chan Hilton
Mary Doerner	Perry Burnett	Al Holen
Mohammed Khayum	Andrea Wright	Rex Strange
Shelly Blunt	Rich Bennett, acting Secretary	
Kenny Purcell, Chair	Ronald Diersing	

A. Call to Order

1. Meeting called to order at 1432

B. Approval of Minutes

1. Motion made and seconded to approve minutes
2. Discussion
  - a. Ingrid Lundy should be changed to Ingrid Lindy
  - b. Should not record the rationale for votes in the minutes
3. Amended motion to correct minutes
  - a. Nays = 0
  - b. Abstentions = 1
  - c. All others in favor
4. Passed

C. Chair's Report

1. Dr. Purcell recommends that we encourage fellow faculty members to review the document entitled ***Chair's Report to Faculty 2018 Fall.docx*** sent on 12/10/18.
2. Dr. Purcell attended the President's Council meeting
  - a. Discussed the fit of an "Ag" program at USI
    - i. The discussion is gaining momentum
    - ii. Purdue is not likely a competitor for students in that area in this region
3. Dr. Purcell attended the Trustees meeting
  - a. Dr. Purcell issued an edited statement written by Charles Conaway
    - i. ICHE members learned that faculty/student relationships were a large driver of student success.
    - ii. USI needs to continue to communicate that aforementioned message concerning the benefits of faculty/student relationships
    - iii. Thanked David Bower for his transparency in the Provost search
4. Dr. Purcell wrote a letter of support to the administrative senate concerning a charge asking that sick leave be increased from 75 to 100 hours.
5. We are to choose a representative from USI that will serve on a committee that will choose the faculty representative on the ICHE.
  - a. Dr. Purcell would like names/nominees by 12:00 pm on 1/25.
  - b. Senate vote will be held at the 2/1/19 meeting
6. Nick LaRowe and Dr. Purcell have been working on a statement to remind students to remain civil in open-ended comments on student evaluations of teaching.

7. Elections of subcommittee members by their respective colleges should be completed by 4/1/19.
  8. Three charges from 12/8 have been forwarded to the Provost's Office
    - a. Faculty Representation on Admin Search Committees 2018.19
    - b. Open Access Publication Funding for USI Faculty 2018.20
    - c. Post-Doc Employment Status 2018.26
- D. Provost's Report
1. Dr. Khayum attended a Board of Trustees meeting in Indy
    - a. January
    - b. Reception held on 1/9/19
    - c. Group of alumni attended the reception
    - d. Each dean gave a presentation that seemed to be well-received
    - e. USI will likely continue this on a yearly basis
  2. Dr. Khayum attended a House Ways and Means Committee meeting
    - a. 01/15/19
    - b. Was the last presentation for budget purposes
    - c. Request an operating budget of 4.4 million
    - d. Teacher pay is a high priority
    - e. Positive reaction was given to information about the summer bridge program
    - f. The committee did not recommend CNHP's request for capital money
  3. SNP and Moodys (rating agencies) visited USI
    - a. Early January
    - b. Rated USI with an "A" rating
    - c. Also rated USI as a Stable Outlook
  4. Dr. Khayum discussed the "fit" of an agricultural program here at USI
    - a. He and Dr. Rochon visited Indy
    - b. Met with Beck's Farms/Hybrids CEO
    - c. They are looking for soft, technology, and sales skills
  5. Charge 2018.24 – Student Administrative Appeals Committee
    - a. Difficult to get another representative on the committee
    - b. Will make sure that chairs and other are "kept in the loop"
    - c. Provost's office will have the final approval on issue and then that information will be delivered to the deans and then to the chairs and faculty
- E. Charge 2018.10 and 2018.11 – Faculty and Academic Affairs Standing Charge and Guidelines
1. This has been approved and is now a standing charge for the FAAC
  2. Motion was made to accept
  3. Discussion
    - a. Quiet needs to be changed to "quit" or "terminated" on page 1
  4. Vote
    - a. Nays = 0
    - b. Abstentions = 0
  5. Passed
- F. Charge 2018.26 – Post-Doc Employment Status
1. Post-doc employees are now classified as temporary contract teaching faculty
  2. Created a new definition for a post-doc fellow
  3. The spirit of the charge was maintained
- G. Budget Presentation
1. Faculty members should bring any and all ideas for budget requests to their Faculty Senate representative

- a. Faculty Salaries
- b. Per diem rates – may need to resurrect this charge
- H. Charge 2019.01 – Technology Integrated Course Designation
  - 1. Motion made to present the charge to Faculty Senate
    - a. Nays = 0
    - b. Abstentions= 0
    - c. Passed
  - 2. Discussion
    - a. Hybrid courses are defined by accrediting bodies, HLC, and the federal government
  - 3. Motion to send to curriculum committee
    - a. Seconded
    - b. Vote
      - i. Nays = 0
      - ii. Abstentions = 3
    - c. Passed
- I. Agenda Building Items
  - 1. Make sure that you are letting your colleagues know what we do in Faculty Senate
  - 2. Belle and her committee will be presenting their findings concerning online exam proctoring
    - a. Likely in February
  - 3. A charge that will address the prior learning assessment charge is forthcoming
  - 4. A charge concerning the privileges of emeritus faculty is forthcoming
  - 5. A charge concerning issues about dated information in the bulletin is forthcoming
- J. Interim Vice-Chair for Faculty Senate
  - 1. Motion to hold a vote to select an interim vice-chair
    - a. Nays = 0
    - b. Abstentions = 0
    - c. Passed
- K. Adjournment
  - 1. Motion to adjourn
  - 2. Vote
    - a. Nays = 0
    - b. Abstentions = 0
  - 3. Passed
  - 4. Meeting adjourned at 1616