WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY FACULTY SENATE

EXTENDED UNIVERSITY PROGRAMS COUNCIL Minutes of 2 December 2019

Members Present: Amy Bocko, Diana Charnley (Graduate Student Association), Kimberly Doudna, Utkarsh Shrivastava (for Bidyut Hazarika), Andrew Holmes, Edwin Martini, Tammy Morgan, William Rantz, Zoann Snyder, John Spitsbergen Members Absent: Dawn Anderson, Nicholas DiLillo (Western Student Association), Annette Hamel, Kyle Jehnzen, David Meade, Paul Solomon Advisory Member Present: Adriana Cordoso Reyes

The meeting was called to order by Chair Amy Bocko at 10:04 a.m. and a quorum was present.

PROCEDURAL ITEMS

Acceptance of the Agenda

A motion was made by Rantz, seconded by Spitsbergen, to accept the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

Approval of the Minutes

As draft November minutes were not available, approval was postponed.

Announcements/Chair's Remarks

Chair Bocko remarked that the duties of secretary will be rotated among the council members and that she will contact the next person who will serve as secretary in January.

DISCUSSION / INFORMATION ITEMS

 Charge 7. Review award procedures and make recommendations on applications for the Extended University Program Innovative Teaching and Community Engagement Awards – discussion from EUP and Council; establish subcommittee

Associate Provost Martini reported that EUP has received no information about being a part of convocation; therefore, EUP can create its own timeline for awards. The proposed timeline is that the deadline to apply for the awards is 28 February, the council will discuss applicants on 16 March, and the awards will be presented in April, likely during finals week, at the EUP celebration. A motion was made by Snyder, seconded by Rantz, to approve the timeline as presented. Motion carried. Anderson and Holmes are on the subcommittee.

The presidential scholar from EUP will be discussed at the January meeting.

2. Charge 3. Evaluate and provide input on alternative and innovative learning programs such as middle colleges, on-line dual enrollment, continuing education and professional development courses. – discussion and report from Andy Holmes

Martini provided a general update. Dual enrollment continues to grow, with

students from Forest Hills as the largest sector. EUP is in discussion with Forest Hills about a Spanish dual enrollment program. Van Buren Tech Center will have a class from Special Education and Literacy Studies during spring 2020. There are a few contracts pending with Gull Lake High School for both online and face-to-face dual enrollment. Right now there are about 150 dually enrolled students, and EUP hopes to have this number double in about two years. Dual enrolled students from Van Buren choose WMU and special efforts are being made to recruit Forest Hills students.

3. Moving forward with proposed charge from Andy Holmes – In collaboration with the Academic and Information Technology Council, establish change management teams or structures to provide oversight of and recommendations for enterprise systems used to support teaching and learning activities. Systems include but are not limited to Brightspace, Mediasight, and Webex. The teams will coordinate dates for updates, establish processes for testing features in TEST environments prior to deployment, as well as discuss and implement feature roadmaps.

Rantz stated that the Faculty Senate Executive Board was supportive but did not vote on anything related to the proposed charge. Holmes would ideally like to see a faculty representative from each college, an OIT representative, an EUP representative, and a student(s) representative(s). EUPC and AITC may likely be different in 1½ to 2 years from now. The bylaws of the Faculty Senate are currently being revised, and Holmes and Martini were invited to come to a Faculty Senate Executive Board meeting.

REPORT

Report from Extended University Programs

Associate Provost Martini reported on a few updates from EUP. Pending final approvals, a new cyber security undergraduate degree will launch in fall 2020. This degree is 100% online and offered in 7-week semesters year round.

Martini provided more information about the reduction in force at EUP, stating it will be staggered and they are working with each individual affected to plan for the future. EUP will be a part of the unification of instructional support services at WMU and more updates will be provided to the campus community in the spring, such as the vision or mission, and new name for EUP. EUP is trying to increase awareness in general about the contemporary student market.

OTHER

The next meeting is on 13 January 2020. Vice Chair Dawn Anderson will chair that meeting and other meetings that are held while Chair Bocko is on leave.

ADJOURNMENT

There was a motion made by Spitsbergen, supported by Rantz, to adjourn the meeting. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

Respectfully submitted by Kimberly Doudna