Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Executive Committee  
Tuesday, February 1, 2022
3:00- 4:30 p.m.  
Zoom Conference

Called to order 3:00 pm 
- In attendance (N = 14):
  o President Hemphill, Provost Agho, Chairman John Sokolowski, Vice Chair Michael Carhart, Secretary Corrin Gillis, Senator David Burdige, Senator Wie Yusuf, Library Representative James Rhoades, Senator Lynne Tolle
  o ODU Online Taskforce: Helen Crompton, Morris Foster
  o Price Waterhouse Consultants for Higher Education: Ben Scott, Margaret Stover, David Church

**Agenda**

1. Briefing on EVMS/ODU Effort 
   - President Hemphill is adamant that the effort WILL NOT go forward without the necessary funding to sustain it from the Commonwealth and Sentara Medical Group
   - There is a long history of interest in partnership between EVMS and ODU
   - The hope is to address health disparities in the region, infuse research, and strengthen the workforce
   - Representatives from Price Waterhouse Consultants
     - Margaret Stover – expertise in development and governance in medical schools etc.
     - David Church – academic medicine
     - Ben Scott – Higher Ed practice; design; strategies; planning etc.
   - Most of the planning process to move toward implementation will take place over the 2022 calendar year with budget asks occurring at the beginning of 2023
   - Planning for implementation will continue to take place through the first half of 2023
     - The communication plan details a commitment to shared governance and faculty input
   - Committees are being formed to evaluate this effort over the next 18 months to make sure that it is fiscally and practically viable

2. ODU Online Task Force 
   - This taskforce was asked to assess the current state of online learning at ODU and develop a set of recommendations to increase enrollment of full-time online students (this does not include hybrid courses)
   - Discussion centered around faculty workload and organizational structure
     - We will need to be very selective and strategic about the programs we are going to expand
     - Some programs can expand aggressively, and others are not practical

3. Update on budget process and general assembly 
   - Things are moving along well
   - We have around $226 million dollars in the budget
     - Biology building
     - Financial Aid
     - Base budget
     - Center for coastal resilience authority in planning and funding stage

4. Plan for faculty hiring 
   - Budget requests are being reviewed now
   - The Provost will meet with the Deans tomorrow to stratify requests
   - Budget reduction exercise will be reviewed as well
   - Discussion around the decrease in hiring tenure-track lines over the last few years
     - Provost indicated that we have reduced the student to faculty ratio from 1:21 to 1:17
     - We have added faculty lines and have not decreased adjunct faculty

Respectfully submitted by: Corrin Gillis, Secretary – Faculty Senate
5. Student Opinion Survey way ahead
   - Senate passed a revision to the Evaluation of Teaching Effectiveness Policy including the verbiage on the SOS

6. Implications of R1 status
   - EC will meet with Morris Foster next week to discuss
   - Will help with the recruiting of faculty and students
   - Moving forward the pressure for graduating the same number of PhD students and having research faculty

7. ODU Covid policy
   - Faculty, staff, & student policy is now consistent
   - We have high percentages of vaccination across categories
   - We will be able to maintain our masking policies

8. Dr. Walker review status
   - EC is working to finalize our review for comments and feedback prior to distribution to the Senate

Meeting adjourned 4:32 pm