Regularly Scheduled Meeting of the Executive Committee
with the President and Provost
Tuesday, October 12, 2021
3:00- 4:15 p.m.
Zoom Conference

Called to order 3:02 pm

- In attendance (N = 8):
  - President Brian Hemphill, Provost Austin Agho, Chairman John Sokolowski,
    Secretary Corrin Gillis, Senator David Burdige, Senator Wie Yusuf, Vice Chair
    Michael Carhart, Library Representative James Rhoades

Agenda

1. Early/phased retirement info
   - Health insurance is one of the primary areas of concern for potential retirees
   - Cost implications and impacts on the university will be considered
   - Another important issue to be considered is eligibility requirements
   - The person who will take over as the VP of Finance will need to be involved

2. Faculty Covid-19 Sanction Issue
   - Expressed gratitude regarding the administration’s support of faculty input on the policy
   - The policy will be implemented and enforced with expediency
   - Unofficially only 2 faculty who have indicated their intent to refuse vaccination or testing
   - More work is needed to identify faculty and staff who are not in compliance with COVID-19 policy

3. Transition from Bb to Canvas
   - Some dismay was expressed by faculty who were unaware that this was in consideration
   - ODU has been using Bb since 1999
     - Was re-evaluated in 2016 with a recommendation to re-evaluate in 5 years
     - Bb approached the university regarding renewal with a 5-year minimum
   - The university chose not to renew with Bb resulting in the move to Canvas
     - A plan is in place with continuing development to make the transition as seamless as it can be
   - Concern was also expressed by faculty regarding perceived secrecy during the piloting process for Canvas
     - The process moved quickly as soon as the decision to not renew Bb was made
  - The plan is to have at least 2 faculty members from each college along with distance learning as part of the steering committee to help with the transition

4. Student Opinion Survey & PPI review
   - The Faculty Senate is still working on these pieces

Respectfully submitted by: Corrin Gillis, Secretary – Faculty Senate
5. Discussion by President/Provost
   - President
     - Task force is moving forward
     - Strategic planning committees are being formed
       o All nominations are due on Friday October 25
       o Please indicate if individuals served in the initial planning process
     - Teaching and Research event on November 10 and 11
       o The invitation for this event will be sent out soon
     - A&L investigation
       o The report should be concluded late November early December
       o The BOV will determine how much of the report will be released to preserve the privacy of individuals
     - President Hemphill would like the opportunity to address the full senate
   - Provost
     - Faculty Senate response to provide feedback on the PPI by November is appreciated

Meeting adjourned 3:36 pm