Minutes of the Senate Executive Committee meeting

President and Provost canceled

Tuesday, February 13, 2024 @ 3:00 -4:30pm

Rabbi Reich Room, Webb center

Attendance: Chair Michael Carhart, Secretary Tatyana Lobova, Senator David Burdige, Senator Steve Hsiung, Senator Dennis Gregory, Senator Lucy Wittkower.

Dr. Stacie Raymer (faculty rep for Athletics), Amy Lynch (Athletics Advising)

1) Canvas Observers Access for Athletics:
   ✓ NCAA requires support-monitoring for student’s academic performance.
   ✓ Fall was a pilot for Athletic observers on Canvas. Athletics met with Canvas Faculty Advisory Council and they have approved this pilot. Students-athletes signed FERPA waiver.
      Athletic Advisors Observers can:
      o Only view the grades category for their assigned athletes students
      o View the last day student accessed the course
      o Cannot view other students or make changes to students work and material
      o Be visible to Instructor in People menu
      o Be tracked by the instructor where they visit and how long they remained in those areas

   ✓ Executive Committee requests that Athletics send notification letter to the faculty at the start of the semester informing about the students-athletes and observers that were added to them on Canvas. The letter should include a list of what Observers have and have not access to on Canvas. That list should be generated by ODU IT Canvas team.

   ✓ There is an issue of a weak policy in Undergraduate Catalog regarding the Attendance. It’s not included in Graduate Catalog. Some faculty are not complying with the policy.

   ✓ Executive Cmte advised to submit a request for Policy revision for Faculty Handbook and Undergraduate & Graduate Catalogs and develop a procedure to address non-compliance cases.

   ✓ Who are on the Canvas Faculty Advisory Council? No information on ODU website.

2) University COVID policies need to be updated and accessible on ODU website. Students are confused about the current policy.
3) Need to reach out to EVMS Senate directly and ask if they would form an Ad-hoc committee to start working with us on Handbook policies.

4) Safety: why cases of guns in the dorms are not reported to campus as Alerts? Guns (weapon) on campus violate Code of Students Conduct and the State law.