

Faculty Senate Executive Committee meeting with President & Provost

Tuesday, October 4, 2022, 3:00-4:15pm

Webb University Center, Virginia Rice Webb Room, 1307

Attendance: President Hemphill, Provost Agho, Ashley Schumaker, Chair Michael Carhart, Vice Chair Corrin Gillis, Secretary Tatyana Lobova, Senator David Burdige, Senator Wie Yusuf, Senator Steve Hsiung, Senator Lynn Tolle, Library Representative Lucy Wittkower

Minutes

Call to order at 3:02pm

1. Interdisciplinary Studies

- Significant push back from the faculty regarding the new Schools formation. Michael Carhart had a meeting with Brian Payne, the new Dean of School of Interdisciplinary Studies. There are mixed messages on faculty involvement into the process.
- Provost: the Maritime and Supply Chain School formation was a 4-years long process. There are core faculty members that are vested into this process in the ITDS department. But more faculty should be informed and involved. “The School” designation makes that degree much more “visible” for degree seekers. Example is School of Cybersecurity success in students number – from 18 to 1000+.
- Provost: Interdisciplinary School will pool faculty from across the campus. But faculty P&T committees will be in the home department or college. At this point of time “The Schools” seems like a way of growth for university but it will be reevaluated in 5 years and possibly changed to College or absorbed back into the department.

2. ODU Global

- President: Rebranding of ODU Online to ODU Global. Faculty and curriculum will remain the same. The goal is to grow online student body for individual courses and entire programs. We are losing local students to other online programs/universities. We have programs that have great ability to grow but they are stunted because the strategic planning and resources are not aligned. ODU will hold a Budget Summit with 300+ people, including many faculty, that will discuss the budget and resources allocation. Senate president will get to choose faculty for participation.

3. Student opinion survey task force

- Senate progress last spring was stalled at the Dean’s council and we did not get any feedback why our proposal was not accepted. Provost council believed that

the main issue is the respond rate. Michael Carhart, Lynn Tolle, Tatyana Lobova + two Deans selected by Provost will be a new task force to work on the existing proposal and hopefully advance it to the Phase 2 – development & implementation of new questioner.

4. EVMS

- Michael Carhart reports that the new ODU-EVMS faculty affairs functional group is very efficient. Organizational Structure and P&T procedures is the new Health Sciences Center are currently discussed and some changes are proposed.

5. President's and Provost's items

Presidents: few isolated power outages but no damage to campus from the storm. Strategic Plan feedback is solicited from campus.

Meeting adjourns at 4:17pm