FAEC December 1, 2010 ASB 230

Members Present: President Jim Morley, Jill Weiss, Sam Mustafa, Jeremy Teigen, Ruma Sen,

Eric Haye, Elaine Risch, Max Goldberg, Marcia Sexton (recorder)

Members Absent: Alex Olbrecht

Guests: Professor Kay Fowler, Associate Vice President Dick Roberts

1. Acceptance of the 11-17-10 FAEC minutes: Approved

2. Review of the 11-17-10 FA meeting and draft minutes. (Question: Should FA votes be documented in percentages, actual numbers, or both?

Secretary Sexton will check with Christina Connor in regards to adding numbers to the voting percentages. There was brief discussion on including announcements in the formal minutes. Council voted not to include announcements as part of the formal minutes based on the procedure of closing the decision portion of the meeting.

- 3. Discussion of Kay Fowler's proposed motion on procedures for 'new business' in FA meetings.

 Professor Fowler will be meeting with Council at 10:00am to present a motion on procedures for requesting new business items before the close of the formal meeting. There was brief discussion among members defining "new business" with the example of items that come up after posting of the agenda. See also Item #7 below.
- 4. Communications regarding the renovation of the G wing.

Council members participated in a discussion on soliciting faculty feedback on capital improvements/renovations with a primary focus on the current G building renovation and addition. President Morley reminded Council that Eric Weiner is the only faculty representative to the Board of Trustees Capital Improvements Committee. It was also discussed that deans of impacted schools should have some involvement in the design and renovation of G building.

5. Time permitting, Progress of the governance review committee. Any prep for 12-15-10 information session?

There was brief discussion regarding Council review of the GRC amended Bylaws prior to the December 15 information session. President Morley will send Council members the most current draft for dialogue at the December 8 meeting.

6. Time permitting, continuation of discussion on opening the winter break by reducing the time it takes to submit final grades.

For continued discussion at a future meeting.

7. Meeting with Kay Fowler 10:00-10:15 regarding her procedural proposal.

Professor Fowler presented her motion: following completion of the agenda, there will be a procedure for new business before the close of the Assembly. Members present participated in

a general discussion focusing on what constitutes new business, defining "emergency" issues, Assembly flexibility, separating new issues from announcements, and re-defining new business as "new agenda items." Councilor Weiss reminded members that the current Bylaws provide for adding emergency issues to the meeting agenda and that should Council decline to put a motion on the agenda, a petition of 20 faculty from a minimum of 3 schools may override Council and put the motion on the Assembly agenda. This discussion will be ongoing. See also Item #3 above.

8. Meeting with Dick Roberts to support communication between faculty and academic space renovation plans. 10:30-11:00

President Morley welcomed Associate Vice President Roberts to the meeting and reiterated a conversation he'd had with President Mercer regarding increasing communication between faculty and the Mansion. President Morley also mentioned the historical perception that faculty have not had input in previous capital improvement projects and the perspective that SSHS has not had any input into the current G building renovation and addition project. Councilor Weiss reminded everyone present that Dean Rosenberg had been invited to at least one meeting with the architects. Everyone present participated in the discussion with topics including improving the science labs, prioritizing what is needed vs. what is desired, academic excellence especially on the part of the faculty, perceptions of administration running academic programs, assignable square footage, the Adler Center for Nursing Excellence, architectural plans, sample room types, renovation of cleared space, faculty input in planning, phased construction schedules, and faculty approval for an academic commons area. President Mercer will be invited to the December 8 meeting to discuss faculty involvement with capital planning.

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