**Faculty Governance Committee**

**Minutes, April 17 2018, 3:30PM**

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Members Present: Cherry Beasley, Libby Denny, Scott Hicks, Dennis McCracken (Chair), Cliff Mensah, Ottis Murray, Frankie Denise Powell, Mabel Rivera, and Sally Vallabha

Guests: Sara Oswald, faculty adviser to the *Indianhead*

1. Call to Order
   1. Chair McCracken called the meeting to order at 3:32 p.m.
2. Approval of March 20, 2018, Minutes
   1. The minutes were approved by acclamation.
3. Approval of Agenda
   1. The agenda was approved by acclamation.
4. Unfinished Business
   1. The committee approved revision of charge and membership of the Student Publications Board, 8-0-0, to wit:
      1. The [Student Affairs & Campus Life] Committee shall be responsible for one Board:
         1. The Student Publications Board will meet at least twice each semester; meeting dates and times for each academic year will be determined early in each Fall semester by a consensus of the members of the Board. The Board will serve as the selection committee for the newspaper editor, the yearbook editor and the literary magazine editor; it will be responsible for approving the application process, interviewing applicants, selecting editors, and hearing charges that could lead to the dismissal of editors. The Board will serve as the arbitrator in the event that censorship pressures arise and will develop other roles which the Board deems proper, in accordance with the guidelines and policies set forth in the Student Publications Manual. The Board will not, however, attempt to provide active oversight of the day-to-day workings of student publications.
      2. Student Affairs and Campus Life Committee
         1. The Student Publications Board will be composed of:

~~The Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs,~~The administrator who holds budget authority over student activity fees,

The faculty advisor of the student newspaper,

The faculty advisor of the student yearbook,

The faculty advisor of the student literary magazine,

One faculty member who is not actively involved in student publications, to be nominated by the Committee on Committees & Elections,

The editor of the student newspaper,

The editor of the student yearbook,

The editor of the student literary magazine,

The SGA president or her/his designee.

The Student Publications Board will be ~~co-~~chaired by the faculty member nominated by the Committee on Committees & Elections ~~and the faculty advisor of one of the student publications, who will serve in yearly rotation~~.

* 1. After discussion of current practices and policies regarding the election of Faculty Assembly delegates and alternates, member Beasley will draft a proposal for the Committee’s review in fall 2018 that encompasses terms of service, the inclusion of the Senate chair as a third alternate, and the revision of the Senate chair’s responsibilities to include attendance at and participation in the Faculty Assembly

1. New Business
   1. After discussion of a recommendation from the Executive Committee to add two members to the General Education Subcommittee, the committee approved revision of the membership of the committee, 8-0-0, to wit:

One faculty member representing each of the following General Education areas (one of whom will chair the subcommittee):

Arts,  
Business/Economics,  
Education/Physical Education,  
Humanities,  
Natural Science/Mathematics, and  
Social Sciences;

~~A Representative of the Office of Academic Affairs~~

The Associate Vice Chancellor for Student Success and Dean of the University College; and

The Student Government Association Academic Affairs Chair

* 1. Per the charge of the Executive Committee to provide input regarding revision of processes by which amendments to the Faculty Constitution may be ratified, the committee discussed electronic attendance at General Faculty meetings for the purposes of voting, the purposes informing the difficulty of amending the constitution, a changed culture regarding attendance at the General Faculty meeting, and the importance of strengthening faculty voice (and thus maintaining a high bar for faculty participation in amendments to the Faculty Constitution) in General Faculty meetings.

1. Announcements
2. For the Good of the Order
   1. Members discussed the importance of securing inclusion of the Senate chair as an *ex officio* member of the Board of Trustees, in alignment with AAUP guidelines and UNC system constituent institutions.
3. Adjournment
   1. The meeting was adjourned at 4:59 p.m.