

To: ECU Faculty Senate
From: Mixon Ware, Chair
Date: February 2, 2009
Re: Executive Committee Chair's Report

The Executive Committee met on January 26, 2009. Information discussed for consideration at the February 2, 2009 Faculty Senate meeting is as follows:

- The Board of Regents met the morning of January 26 and Senators Ware and Taylor were invited to attend the interview sessions for the consulting firms under consideration for the presidential review. The Executive Committee will work with the Faculty Regent Frisbie to coordinate its review with the efforts of the Board of Regents. This will allow us to consult with the outside consulting firm hired to coordinate the presidential review.
- The university is under time constraints to set the 5-year calendar beginning this fall, and the issue of a 16-week semester must be resolved. Information provided by the Interim Registrar, Tina Davis, is attached to this report for your review and comment.
- A special thank you to the Committee on Committees for their efforts in submitting nominations for the Strategic Planning Council to the President's Office. In addition to the continuing membership appointments noted in the previously presented presentation to the Faculty Senate (Conneely, Keely, Moberly, Piercey), members appointed by President Whitlock are as follows: Jo Ann Ewalt, Chair (Appointed by President from Membership); Alex Combs, SGA Representative (1 year term); Norma Spain, Faculty Representative (J&S) (1 year term); John Taylor, Vice-Chair, Faculty Senate Representative (1 year term); Dorie Combs, Chairs' Representative (2 year term); Pam Schlomann, Faculty Representative (HS) (2 year term); Aaron Thompson, Faculty Representative (ED) (2 year term); James Zabawa, Staff Council Representative (2 year term); Marcel Robles, Faculty Representative (B&T) (3 year term); and Elizabeth Underwood, Faculty Representative (A&S) (3 year term). The Dean's Representative is yet to be announced.
- The Financial Planning Council met for the first time in January. Initially we were considering a 2%-4% budget reduction, said reduction proposed to be taken from Maintenance and Operation. This will be a permanent reduction. Subsequent to the FPC meeting, the Board of Regents indicated at its January 26 meeting that there may be as much as a 6.7% mid-year reduction and possibly that much for next year as well. There is a strong commitment to maintaining personnel and the mission of teaching. In the interest of conveying faculty feedback and concerns to the Financial Planning Council, Senator Ware spoke to the issue of personnel expenses related to the growth of administrative positions in recent years. Senators Ware (Senate Chair), Taylor (Vice Chair), and Johnson (Budget Committee Chair) will meet regularly to stay abreast of issues discussed by the FPC, SPC, and the Senate Budget Committee.
- Dr. Sherry Robinson will present the Policy on Non-Tenured Faculty for review by the Senate at the February 2 meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
Mixon Ware

Academic Calendar Length & Creation Process - *Survey of Kentucky Institutions

Final Approver

Guidelines?

School	# wks fall / spring	# wks summer	Calendar Process	Final Approver	Guidelines?
Centre	14	N/A	The Steering Committee of our College Council reviews and adjusts as it wishes a model I prepared based on recent practice. That calendar is forwarded to senior staff for "final" approval.	"Substantive" changes to the calendar must be approved by our College Council, a representative governing body consisting of faculty, staff and students. "Substantive" is open to interpretation.	Nothing writing really.
KSU	16	8	Registrar creates proposed calendar which is then reviewed.	Catalog & Calendar Committee	Yes
NKU	16	14	The calendar committee is chaired by the Vice President for Student Affairs; the committee is made up of several constituencies across campus including assistant/associate deans, department chairs, the housing director, graduate programs, a library representative, IT, business operations and auxiliary services, admissions, financial aid, bursar, etc...	President	Yes, we have a template for begin end dates and specific deadlines.
U of L	16	13	Calendar is proposed by Registrar and approved by Deans at Provost's meeting.	Deans	No response
Morehead	16	11	The Associate Registrar develops the calendars to be presented to the Registration Advisory Committee, Chaired by the Registrar. Once approved and edited the calendar goes to the Provost. Faculty Senate, then to the President's Council.	President	Faculty Senate has established guidelines
UK	16	12	The Registrar's Office makes up the calendar, following the guidelines from the Senate.	University Senate	The Senate has rules about all these dates. Here is a link to the Senate Rules: http://www.uky.edu/JSC/New/RulesandRegulationsMain.htm
WKU	16	13	Registrar creates the calendar which is reviewed by the University Calendar Committee, which Registrar chairs. It is comprised of a faculty rep from each college, in addition to the Student Govt Assoc President and some staff members	The Calendar Committee makes recommendations to the Provost, who shares it with the President's Administrative Council for final review, but the Provost actually approves it.	Yes

*survey date: January 2009, EKU Office of the Registrar