

To: EKU Faculty Senate
From: Mixon Ware, Chair
Date: May 4, 2009
Re: Executive Committee Chair's Report

The Executive Committee met on April 20, 2009. Information for consideration at the May 4, 2009 Faculty Senate meeting is as follows:

Presidential Evaluation: The evaluation for President Whitlock has been completed and, upon receipt of the compiled data, the Executive Committee will submit its summary report to the Board at its next scheduled meeting. Thank you for your support in the evaluation process, and in the future we will know that "Mixon Ware" is perceived as spam and junk mail. Please check your junk mail file accordingly from time to time!

Policy update for Senate review: The Schedule of Facilities & Outdoor Space Policy and Course Registration Policy will be presented for Senate review at the May meeting. The 30-day commenting period on the non-tenure evaluation policy was extended and five additional comments were received. The policy has made it through all the cycles and is now ready to forward to the President. The following non-academic policies are up on the policies website for a 30-day review period: 1) Bulletin Board and Postings Places Policy and 2) Registered Student Organization Banking Policy. The Policy on Policies' drafting team is in the review process. This policy will probably come before the Senate sometime next fall for review. Two non-academic issues being considered for possible policy adoption are: 1) Inclement Weather Pay Policy; and 2) Policy to Regulate Children in the Work Place. Two non-academic policies in the early review stages are: 1) Alcohol Policy and 2) Identity Theft Policy.

The Rules Committee will be bringing a Motion to Create an Academic Quality Standing Committee to the floor of the Senate on May 4. In the interim, an Ad Hoc Committee on Academics has been formed for the 2009-2010 year to work closely with the Strategic Planning Council. To date, members are: Marco Ciocco, Mary Ann Kolloff, Claire Schmelzer, and Anne Shordike. I am seeking additional members with an interest in serving on the committee.

Senate Term Limits: A number of senators and other faculty have expressed concern over the senate term limits rule. I am proposing that the Rules Committee take this under advisement for consideration by the Senate next year.

By way of update on the KCTCS tenure issue, a number of the KCTCS campuses have approved a no-confidence vote of their Board and president. It should be noted that the EKU Board of Regents passed a resolution in support of tenure at EKU at its meeting in April.

The CAA approved the 42 hour upper division requirement as recommended. Exceptions will still be approved on a case-by-case basis.

Respectfully submitted,
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