Minutes of the Executive Committee meeting

Tuesday, September 6th 2022 3-4:15pm, Potomac River Room

In Attendance: Chair Michael Carhart, Vice Chair Corrin Gillis, Secretary Tatyana Lobova, Senator David Burdige, Senator Wie Yusuf, Senator Steve Hsiung, Library Representative Lucy Wittkower; Senator Lynn Toll

Call to Order: 3pm

Chair’s Report:

1. Murder/violence near campus last weekend, Sep 3-4
   a) student party off-campus with the multiple universities names on the invite. Drive by shooting with 2 killed and 5 injured
   b) Michael Carhart spoke with the President on Sunday about that shooting. President stated that no ODU students were at the party.
   c) ODU police chief position is currently in the national search.
   d) we need to discuss with the President a better way to communicate with the campus community regarding the incidents on/near campus. A few incidents happened during the first week of school that were not reported to campus (shooting on Killam, bookstore vandalism, student run over by the car on 43 St). President Broderick’s task force report ~10-12 years ago may need to be revisited for suggestions in this matter.

2. Organizational
   a) committee staffing: Grievance Cmte is currently staffed: Peter Schulman, Woody Schwitzer, Harry Zhang, Karen Eck, Tancy Vandecar-Burdin. They will select the chair at the first meeting.
   b) issue items upcoming: need to check the last Senate meeting in April 2022 for the rollover items to be discussed and included in this Fall Senate agenda.

      We need to discuss potential of creating an Intercollege Cmte on Integration

      We need to discuss potential of creating a subcommittee in the Health Science college made of tenured faculty to work on Integration impact on the current College faculty

   c) we need to make sure what we pass in Senate actually makes it to the Provost Council meetings – the last meetings minutes were not shared with the executive cmte and we do not know what happened to some of the Senate’s resolutions
d) We need to ask at the Provost meeting why our proposal for Student Opinion Survey was declined by the Deans but we didn’t get any feedback. We need to know what are the concerns of the Deans that were not addressed in our proposal.

e) WorkFlow requires too many documents for the duration of the entire career uploaded for the annual evaluation

3. EVMS

a) How many Deans will new EV Health Sciences Center will have? In the current plan they have 6 Deans. That will be the same as than number of Deans in the Academic Affairs with considerably less faculty and students.

b) We are opening “Schools” that are equivalent to much larger and diverse “Colleges”. New Schools of Data Sciences and Cybersecurity are equivalent to College with their own Dean, Dr. Brian Payne. Ask the President: Why they are not in the College of Engineering where they have been before?

c) We need to discuss with the President the upcoming organizational structure of ODU with too many Schools/Colleges/Deans/Assistant – Assoc. Deans (pulled out from the teaching in their departments)

d) Discuss with the President how Integration will affect the Program Prioritization Initiative