

**SHARED GOVERNANCE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF JANUARY 23, 2017
3 P.M., BIBB GRAVES CONFERENCE ROOM**

The Shared Governance Executive Committee met at 3 p.m. on Monday, January 23, 2017, in the Board Room of Bibb Graves Hall. The following members were present: Dr. David Brommer, Dr. Greg Carnes, Ms. Sarah Green, Dr. Kevin Jacques, Mr. Bret Jennings, Dr. Katie Kinney, Dr. Kristy Oden, Dr. Lee Renfroe, and Dr. John Thornell. Chairperson Scott Infanger presided.

Call of Meeting to Order

Dr. Infanger called the meeting to order.

Approval of Agenda

By consensus, the agenda was amended to add a proposal from the Faculty-Staff Welfare Committee for a reconciled Sick Leave Policy.

Approval of Minutes of the Meeting of December 12, 2016

The minutes were approved by consensus.

Report from the Chair

Chair Infanger noted concerns expressed to him by a staff member over the voting/non-voting rights of By Position members on committees. Opinions were expressed and Chair Infanger volunteered to review the positions within the Shared Governance Document and bring recommendations, if any, to the SGEC for review.

Revisit Section 3.3.4 of Faculty Handbook – Faculty with Administrative/Directorial Responsibilities

Due to concerns expressed by some that the aforementioned policy received review by the Faculty/Staff Welfare Committee only, Chair Infanger announced that he retracted the approved proposal with the President's permission. Dr. Brommer made a motion and Dr. Jacques seconded the motion to determine this as a faculty only issue to be reviewed by the Council of Academic Deans by February 23, followed by the Faculty Senate. The motion was approved unanimously.

Information Item: University-Wide Definition of Diversity

This was an information item that required no action from the Committee.

Request from SGA for an Extension on Course Evaluation Consideration

On motion by Dr. Oden, seconded by Dr. Brommer, and unanimously approved, the SGA was granted an extension of 14 days.

Sick Leave Policy

Based on the returned Sick Leave Policy proposal by the Faculty-Staff Welfare Committee, Dr. Renfroe made a motion and Dr. Kinney seconded the motion to determine that the differences between the Faculty Senate and F-S Welfare Committee policy proposals were irreconcilable and, thus, the current policy should remain in effect. The motion was approved unanimously. Renee Vandiver was instructed to return the current policy to the Faculty Handbook. Chair Infanger volunteered to work with Dr. Brommer, Dr. Thornell, and Dr. Oden to tweak the Faculty-Staff Welfare Committee proposal into a proposed policy that would be fair minded to all constituents.

Comments from Constituent Representatives

For the SGA, Sarah Green reported that the SGA is in the research stage with several proposals and Snow Days activities (the welcome week of the spring semester) are occurring this week. For the Staff Senate, Dr. Jacques reported that work is underway on Faculty-Staff Wellness Day activities. In addition, he announced that Chuck D will be on campus February 15 to present a Rap, Race, and Reality event, and Student Affairs is willing to work with faculty to incorporate this event into class projects. For the staff, Mr. Jennings reported that Victoria Roose was crowned as the 2017 Miss UNA this past Saturday evening. For the Faculty Senate, Dr. Brommer reported that the Faculty Senate is still working through the proposed new promotion and tenure policy, and review of the course evaluation proposal is underway. For the Administration, Dr. Thornell reported that in a meeting earlier today, the Executive Council reviewed an enrollment report which showed that approximately 90% of students preregistered for the spring semester; this statistic indicates that discussions may need to occur to reduce the two-day registration period at the start of each semester that could provide for additional holidays or a shorter semester.

Upon motion by Mr. Jennings, the meeting adjourned at 3:50 p.m.

Dr. Scott Infanger, Chairperson