

CASE WESTERN RESERVE UNIVERSITY  
Faculty Senate  
Executive Committee  
Meeting of December 2, 2003, 8:00 a.m.  
Room 352 - Adelbert Hall

Committee members in attendance

Cynthia Beall  
Thomas Bishop  
Bo Carlsson  
Lynne Ford  
Edward M. Hundert  
Edith Lerner

Frank Merat  
Carol Musil  
Spencer Neth  
David Singer  
Lynn Singer

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 a.m. by Professor David Singer, Chair of the Faculty Senate.

**Approval of Minutes**

The minutes of the Faculty Senate Executive Committee meeting of November 4, 2003 were approved as distributed.

**President's Announcements**

President Hundert asked that all begin to think of ways to link next year's Vice Presidential debate to the curriculum and get students involved in civics. It was noted that Case's annual theme and annual book reading for next year will try to link to the debates, and we hope to involve other of the UCI institutions.

The ground breaking for the new North Residential Village will be taking place next week; this first phase of 700 plus rooms is to be ready for 2005.

Mark Carlson of the School of Medicine is newly appointed, half time, as Vice President for Government Relations. He will work with all eight of our schools to increase our share of monies being appropriated by Congress.

**Interim Provost's Announcements**

Lynn Singer noted the upcoming dinner meeting of February 19<sup>th</sup> with this committee and the Board of Trustees' Academic Affairs and Student Life Committee, with the suggested topics of discussion being SAGES and Residential Life Program. Some additional topics were suggested for conversation in this forum or at future Faculty Senate meetings: recruiting and retaining star faculty; the graduate school report; a new program implemented in the Law School called CaseArc for experiential learning.

**Chair's Announcements**

David Singer announced that the Dental School is proceeding with offering its alumni and recent graduates the option of receiving a certificate indicating they have completed the course of study which leads to a D.M.D. (Doctor of Dental Medicine) degree. Approval for this degree in place of the D.D.S. (Doctor of Dental Surgery) degree has been discussed and approved by the Faculty Senate, the Board of Trustees, and the Ohio State Board of Regents, along with the change of name of the school to the School of Dental Medicine.

Professor Singer noted that we can expect interim reports from the Senate Committee on Research and the Committee on Information Resources.

Provost Lynn Singer announced also that a copyright policy has been reviewed and is to be released soon.

The question has come up about communications between faculty and students of the sort of a general request for a faculty advisor to the Case FAM Pilot project. The Executive Committee felt that this type of communication was best handled between the Office of Undergraduate Studies and student organizations and not by direct appeal to the Faculty Senate whose role was one of faculty governance.

### **Cancellation of December Senate Meeting**

A number of committees are hard at work but few are ready to report so it was unanimously agreed to cancel the meeting in December.

### **Dashboard Project**

President Hundert had requested time to further discuss investment in the vision plan by presenting this “dashboard.” Invited to participate were Hossein Sadid and Caryl Hess. The draft presented is suggested ways of tracking various metrics to measure progress on the larger vision. He asked if these were, in the opinion of this committee, the right measures? He noted that there are five meta metrics in the list of 25.

Suggestions:

- Campus Environment listed only Institutional Research as collecting data to determine progress toward improvement but academic input is needed, as well as coordination with our surrounding community.
- Institutional Culture and Values - promoting diversity has to be at the level of our deans
- Tracking students post graduation and who is hiring our students is an important professional school metric.
- Undergraduate programs: the first five metrics are on the Admissions process; satisfaction is only number 6.
- Outcome Assessment is being widely discussed and should be incorporated into this dashboard.
- Alumni contact is not listed and would be an important metric

It was noted that some of these are statements and some are goals. Various other possible aspects mentioned and noted, among them the value of where our faculty might spend their leave time such as internships in political offices.

The meeting adjourned at 9:30 a.m.

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Lynne E. Ford  
Secretary of the Faculty Senate