Shared Governance Executive Committee

Meeting Minutes for April 2, 2012

Chair Richard Statom called the meeting of the Shared Governance Executive Committee (SGEC) to order on April 2, 2012, at 3:35 p.m. in the University Board Room. Attendees were: Larry Adams, Uchenna (Ralph) Akalonu, Kevin Jacques, Vagn Hansen, Ethan Humphres, Brad Peeden, David Shields, Richard Statom, John Thornell, and Darlene Townsend. A quorum was present. Ms. Sara Beth Rainey, administrative assistant of the Physics and Earth Science Department, recorded the committee’s activity.

The SGEC approved the proposed agenda and the minutes of the March 19, 2012 meeting as presented.

*Report from the Chair*

Richard Statom reported:

1. Transient Enrollment Policy. Proposal from the Council of Academic Deans (COAD) to revise the Transient Enrollment Policy. This proposal was sent to the Academic and Student Affairs (ASA) Committee on 11/8/2011. *Approved by the ASA Committee on 11/29/2011. Sent to the Faculty Senate and the Staff Senate and the Student Government Association (SGA) on 1/26/2012. Approved by the Staff Senate on 2/13/2012, SGA on 2/23/2012, and the Faculty Senate on 3/15/2012.The proposal will be forwarded to President Cale.*
2. Extension of Thanksgiving Break*.* Proposal from the Student Government Association (SGA) to extend the current Thanksgiving break to a full week. *Sent to the ASA Committee on 2/20/2012. Proposal rejected by Faculty Senate on 3/15/2012. The Proposal will be sent back to the SGA for further action.*
3. Exam Relief for Students. Proposal from the ASA Committee concerning providing Exam Relief for Students who have three exams scheduled for the same day. *Rejected by Faculty Senate on 3/15/2012. The proposal will be sent back to the ASA for further action.*
4. Early Scholars Program. Faculty Senate requested the development of a Shared Governance (SG) committee to develop a true early Scholars Program at UNA. Dr. Statom will request a name change for this proposed Early Scholars program to avoid confusing it with the former name of the Early College Program which was named the Early Scholars Program. *The request will be sent to the ASA Committee for action.*
5. Approval of a Nomination for the Research Committee. The COAD proposed that Dr. Andrew Luna, Director of Institutional Research, Planning, and Assessment, is added to the Research Committee. *Approved by the SGEC on 3-19-2012.* *Nomination will be forwarded to President Cale.*
6. Request for Approval of Modifications to the Human Subjects Assurance Training Program. The Human Subjects Committee approved modifications to the Human Subjects Assurance Training Program. *The committee requested approval of the SGEC. This proposal was received and approved by the SGEC on 3/19/2012.*

*Unfinished Business*

There was no unfinished business.

*New Business*

Centers and Institutes Policy. Proposal from the COAD to establish policies to create and maintain Centers and Institutes at UNA. *The proposal was reviewed by the EC. The proposal will be sent to the Institutional Effectiveness Committee*.

*Comments from Constituent Representatives*

1. SGA

The Sunset Run, scheduled for April 1, 2012 is a fundraiser for Endowed Scholarships—all funds will go toward the scholarships.

1. Staff Senate and Faculty Senate

There were no reports at this time.

1. Administration

Dr. Thornell reported that the Final Draft of the SACS Report was submitted.

Meeting Adjournment

Larry Adams moved to adjourn the meeting and the motion was seconded by Ralph Akalonu. The meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Brenda H. Webb 4/17/2012