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I. Pre-Senate Working Session (3:00–3:30 p.m.)
II. Senate President Desnoyers-Colas called the meeting to order at 3:30 p.m. (see Appendix A).
III. Senate Action
   A. Approval of Minutes from April 20, 2015 Faculty Senate Meeting
      1. APPROVED without corrections.
   B. Introductions
   C. Brief remarks from Dr. Linda Bleicken, President
      1. Summary of events from last week – convocation, convocation for first year students, week of welcome for new students, and faculty senate reception. Many opportunities for one-on-one conversations with Armstrong students: Goizueta Foundation Scholarship recipient event, MOVE organization event, and meetings with Armstrong athletes.
      2. Introduction by Dr. Linda Bleicken of Dr. Robert Smith, Provost and VP of Academic Affairs
   D. Brief remarks from Dr. Robert Smith
      1. “Working on a variety of initiatives to improve student success and retention.” “Excited to be here.” Faculty welcome to drop by (his) office, call or email.”
   E. Old Business
      1. Outcome of Bills/Resolutions
         i. FSB 2014-05-12-01 Institutional Accountability, Transparency and Communication
            a. Senate President Desnoyers-Colas announced that a budget presentation has been scheduled for August 31 (senators should announce to colleagues) and remarks that we have been receiving information about consultants. The Planning, Budget, and Facilities Committee has been working with Chris Corrigan, VP of Business and Finance to get budget information out to faculty.
            b. Joint Leadership Team summary 4.28.15
            c. Faculty and Staff Vacancy Report 5.15.15
            d. Faculty and Staff Vacancy Report 5.22.15
            e. Faculty and Staff Vacancy Report 6.5.15
            f. Faculty and Staff Vacancy Report 6.25.15
            g. Faculty and Staff Vacancy Report 7.10.15
         ii. FSB 2015-01-26-03 Budget Planning Bill (Revised)
            a. Summary of bill by senate liaison from Planning, Budget, and Facilities committee
         iii. FSB 2015-03-23-03* Changes in Terms and Titles for President and Vice-President
iv. FSB 2015-03-23-04* Bill to Amend the Bylaws of the Armstrong Faculty Senate, Article VI, Section B: Duties of the Vice-President of the Senate

v. FSB 2015-03-23-06* Bill to Amend the Bylaws of the Armstrong Faculty Senate, Article V, Section A.1: Senators and Alternates

vi. FSB 2015-03-23-07* Education Technology Committee Representation Bill

vii. FSB 2015-03-23-08* Bill to Amend the Bylaws of the Armstrong Faculty Senate, Article XI, Section F: Duties of the Education Technology Committee

viii. FSB 2015-03-23-09* Changes in Academic Standings Policy Bill

2. USG Faculty Council
   i. Resolution to Chancellor on Salary Inequities
      a. Senate President Desnoyers-Colas summarizes background of the resolution. The main aim of the resolution was not to communicate that university presidents are not worthy of a raise, but that university faculty are certainly deserving of a raise beyond the small merit raise given.

3. Other Old Business
   i. Academic Bullying and Hazing
      a. Senate President Desnoyers-Colas announced that had she voted on the bill submitted for vote in the April 20, 2015 senate meeting, it would have passed. A literature search was conducted by Armstrong Librarian Caroline Hopkinson and books and peer reviewed journal articles indicate academic bullying and hazing is not an anecdotal concern. Whether appropriate as a senate bill, or a request for administration to address this issue is to be determined, in part by the results of the Campus Climate Survey. Faculty continue to voice concerns to Senate President Desnoyers-Colas about the issue.

   ii. Other Old Business from the Floor
      a. No Items

F. New Business
   1. Secretary and Steering Committee Votes
      i. Wendy Wolfe APPROVED for Senate Secretary
ii. Steering Committee membership APPROVED

2. Committee Reports and Charges
   i. University Curriculum Committee: No report.

   ii. Governance Committee: Please respond to request for committee membership by Wednesday via Survey Monkey.

   iii. Academic Standards: No report.

   iv. Education Technology: No report.

   v. Faculty Welfare: No report.


   vii. Student Success: No report

3. Senate Representatives Needed for Search and other University Committees
   i. Advancement office search needs a faculty representative, preferably a male faculty member.

   ii. Student Integrity committee needs 4 faculty representatives for sexual misconduct hearing panel. Committee members need to go through a training that is “intense” due to the seriousness of the issue.

4. Other New Business from the Floor
   i. No Items

G. Senate Information and Announcements
   1. Senate Committee Membership Survey
   2. Enrollment Forum in September
      i. Enrollment consultant will be coming back to campus to give a forum (date TBA).

      ii. David Bringman announced that our enrollment management project team will present on a 10 year enrollment plan in late October.

      iii. A Senator asked if we have met our enrollment goal (7272). President Bleicken noted that we are at 6911, but that we are up one for new student enrollment (1889, as of today, with a goal of 1888). However, we need 361 continuing students to meet our enrollment goal.

3. Announcements (from the floor)
   i. No items

IV. Adjournment at 4:02 p.m.

V. Minutes completed by:

Wendy Wolfe
Faculty Senate Secretary, 2015-2016

Appendices
   A. Attendance Sheet
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