

MINUTES

April 12, 2019 OFC meeting

Members in Attendance

Online: Amy Lee (NEOMED); Michael Kalafatis (Cleveland State); Sara Helfrich (Vice Chair Ohio U); Ed Dauterich (Kent State); Linda Saliga (U of Akron); and Wade Lee (U of Toledo).

In Person: Dan Krane (Wright State); Lori Liggett (Elected Rep., BGSU), Laura Luehrmann (Incoming VP Wright State); Anthony Milburn (Elected Rep., Central State); David Jackson (BGSU); Ben Givens (OSU), and Cynthia Ris (U of Cincinnati).

Also in Attendance

John McNay (Ohio Conference AAUP); Kevin O'Donnel (Ohio Student Association)

Lauren Monowar-Jones (Joint Education Oversight Committee); Terry Filicko (Ohio Faculty Senate Chair); Mike Duffey (Sr. Vice Chancellor, ODHE).

CALL TO ORDER: 12:36 p.m.

APPROVE AGENDA—Proposed change in agenda noted below; unanimous consent for change.

APPROVE MINUTES FROM THE MARCH 8, 2019 OFC MEETING —so approved

INTRODUCTIONS

OLD BUSINESS

CLOSING OF NOMINATION PERIOD/ELECTION OF OFC OFFICERS (by Ben Givens)—delayed to later in meeting

CAMPUS FREE SPEECH RESOLUTION/POLICIES (Dan Krane)

- HB 88 SB 40 like HB 758 inspired by ALEC (American Legislative Exchange Council) (written testimony by the OFC on HB 758 is online at https://www.ohiofacultycouncil.org/sites/ohiofacultycouncil.wright.edu/files/page/attachments/HB758OFCtestimony_0.pdf) which had been in Chair Mike Duffy's committee in the 132nd General Assembly; a third hearing has been held on HB 88.
- Cleveland State has now institutionally embraced its Faculty Senate Free Speech policy
- Free Speech on Campus Resolution for us to consider—already adopted on some campuses, up for consideration on others
- John McNay noted that the President of Ohio State AAUP Chapter testified about HB 88 and that the issues it addresses are not Ohio-issues.
- The OFC unanimously adopted a resolution regarding free speech on campuses.

AGENDA FOR JUNE 11 STATEHOUSE FREE SPEECH FORUM (Dan Krane)

- Ben Givens, Terry Filicko, and David Goldberger have been working on an agenda for a Campus Free Speech forum
- The event will conclude with a meeting of the Faculty Congress of Ohio (a joint meeting of the OFC and Ohio Faculty Senate of Technical and Community Colleges)
- David Goldberger is a nationally recognized emeritus law professor at OSU.
- Specific speakers will be identified in the next one to two weeks. Possibilities include legislators, ODHE, Ohio Supreme Court justices, student leaders, student affairs administrators, faculty from public institutions in Ohio.
- Overriding question: how do we engage communities on campuses in civil discourse?

NOMINATIONS AND ELECTION OF OFC OFFICERS—overseen by Ben Givens

Chair: Dan Krane, Wright State

Unanimous Vote in favor: Elected to a 2-year term

Vice Chair: Marc Scott, Shawnee State

Unanimous Vote in favor: Elected to a 1-year term

Secretary: Cynthia Ris, University of Cincinnati

Unanimous Vote in favor: Elected to a 1-year term

EVALUATION OF ADMINISTRATORS (Bill Bowen and Marc Scott)

ASSESSMENT OF OUTCOMES (Kyle Vick)

No white paper today on either topic; will look at as Old Business in May

NEW BUSINESS

PROPOSED INCLUSIVE ACCESS EXPERIMENT (McGraw-Hill)

- Jennifer Becker from McGraw-Hill talked about textbook affordability and access at the January OFC meeting.
- McGraw-Hill is proposing a study to determine if students in inclusive access courses perform better than those in courses where students can purchase course materials through the bookstore.
- Members of the OFC are asked to determine if courses at their institution meet either of the following criteria: 1) a course that was offered in fall 2018 that was not inclusive but which will be taught by the same instructor in fall 2019 as an inclusive access course, and 2) a course that will be offered in fall 2019 with inclusive access for which there are multiple sections that are taught by the same instructor.
- In May the OFC will assess the number of courses across the state system that might be able to participate in the type of study that is being proposed.

Affordable learning initiatives at Ohio Link may also be interested.

HB 66 STUDY COMMITTEE ATTRACTING, DEVELOPING AND RETAINING HIGH-QUALITY FACULTY (Dan Krane)

- Membership of a committee tasked with studying the role of tenured faculty in teaching undergraduates will be finalized within the next 30 days.
- Chancellor, IUC, Chair of OFC, 2 students, 3 legislators each from House and Senate,
- 2 at-large faculty (1 each chosen by Speaker & House)

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE/HB 166 TESTIMONY

- UC and OSU students did well in their testimony regarding the proposed state budget (HB 166). OFC's written testimony is available online at YYYY.
- All testimony in the House Finance subcommittee on Higher Education has been recorded and is available online: Ohiochannel.org
- State support for higher education in FY 2009 was \$2.79B and proposed support for higher education in FY 2021 will be \$2.77B (and would have been \$3.20B if it had kept up with inflation since FY 2009). Comparisons with other state's support of higher education are not favorable.
- Amendments will be offered through Representative Rick Perales:
 - \$275,000 for faculty development at two- and four-year institutions (train the trainer programs in areas such as the development of effective online courses, textbook affordability);
 - \$725,000 to recognize faculty at institutions (may be incentive for Ohio Technology Award) including train the trainer workshops;
 - Graduate employment consultation committee w/Ohio Faculty Council and Ohio Faculty Senate at the table

GUEST PRESENTATION

HB 166 (Sr. Vice Chancellor Mike Duffey)

Choose Ohio First: Under evaluation—faculty feedback useful for STEM program to ask if and how Ohio institutions are engaged (e.g., Computer Science at OSU):

- What are problems, such as support, students, etc.
- How would you design a bigger/better pipeline?
- Underrepresented students a target—because it's an RFP process, resources, services, scholarships can vary greatly. Not easy to navigate for students.
- **Feedback earlier is better for June budget—send to Dan Krane to summarize for Mike Duffey.**

Likely / Proposed Amendments to HB 166:

- Take \$6M out of textbooks to OCOG (Want money to go to texts vs room & board. Prioritizing with tuition first followed by textbooks.)
- Several earmarks for individual institutions are expected
- Increase SSI at a rate greater than the proposed 1.1% and 1.0% for FY 2020 and FY 2021, respectively, to be more inline with the consumer price index.

- As Choose Ohio First relates to Primary Care Medicine requires they stay in Ohio; changes possible in debt collection. Principal must be paid plus collection fees. Students need to pay earlier rather than later due to increase in costs once it's certified. Strong efforts needed for students to pay fees. Began in 2007 (added dental, nursing since)

Other Legislation

- Companion Legislation to allow 529 investment of \$4000 tax deduction to allow 529 investment outside of Ohio.
- Financial literacy as K-12 requirement

Cleveland State Visit by Mike Duffey on April 24th

Let Dan Krane know about specific Faculty Senate meeting where you would like the Chancellor and/or Sr. Vice Chancellor to attend in the fall semester.

Textbook affordability is going well across Ohio; OSU won contract case in which their campus bookstore argued that it could not suggest that OER's be used as an alternative to materials sold through the bookstore; it is worth looking to see what specific language is in each institution's contract regarding online/digital materials. It is important that faculty take the initiative in the development of policies that result in timely adoption of course materials. Wright State's auto-adopt policy (<https://policy.wright.edu/policy/2025-textbook-selection>) could be used as a model for other institutions.

ONBOARDING OF TRUSTEES (Dan Krane)

Things are in the works for Dan Krane and Ben Givens to run a highly recommended day-long workshop for incoming trustees as part of the Ohio Trustee Conference in November 2019; there might also be one whole day just to explain university budgets.

CAMPUS REPORTS (two to three-minute summaries of news that would be of general interest to faculty across the state such as changes in top administrative positions and contract negotiations)

Wright State The language for a new faculty contract is ready for a ratification vote by the faculty.

Enrollment for summer 2019 is down 21% relative to summer 2018.

A search is underway for a new Vice Provost for Faculty Affairs. In addition to disciplinary matters and administration of the new contract, the successful candidate will also be responsible for the institution's Program Effectiveness Review work and its annual Affordability and Efficiency report to ODHE.

WSU students have saved \$1,077,902 in textbook costs in the 2018-2019 academic year due to the use of inclusive access and the implementation of a "textbook auto-adopt" policy (<https://policy.wright.edu/policy/2025-textbook-selection>). Inclusive access was piloted in spring 2018 with

nine courses (and a savings of \$102,000). In fall 2018 and spring 2019 it was used in a total of 76 courses (with a savings off \$753,869). In fall 2019 it will be used for 91 courses (with a savings of \$1.2M and a projected savings of \$2M for the 2019-2020 academic year).

UC in negotiations; UC initiating a Strategic Sizing Initiative that will increase resources over the next ten years; Reconsidering Performance-Based Budgeting but it is now moving to regional campuses. Athletic subsidy at \$33 million.

OSU: A&S Dean search; New Vice-President for Institutional Equity to bring Title IX concerns under one roof

BGSU: Ratifying 3% first and second years, 2.5%

- Qualified rank faculty instead of non-teaching
- Teaching professor, etc.
- 4/4 tenure track will permit course releases at regionals
- Raises include \$600,000 compression costs
- A little more in health care but made up by increases in salary.

Central State:

- Teams meeting for negotiations prep
- New criteria for tenure and promotions
- Anticipating enrollment bump / building new dorms

ADJOURN at 2:42 p.m.