



## **The Ohio Faculty Council**

**Members Present:** Belmont Community College; Bowling Green State University (Keith Bernhard); Central State University (Anthony Milburn); Kent State University (Ralph Lindeman); Lakeland Community College; Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine and Pharmacy (Claire Bourguet); Ohio State University (Tim Gerber and Susan Shockey); University of Akron (Rudy Fenwick [Chair]); University of Cincinnati (John Cuppoletti); Shawnee State University (Carter Kaplan); Wright State University (Tom Sudkamp and Jacqueline Bergdahl); and Youngstown State University (Chet Cooper [Secretary])

**Members Absent:** Cleveland State University; Medical University of Ohio at Toledo; Miami University; Ohio University; and University of Toledo

### **Call to Order:**

The monthly meeting of the Ohio Faculty Council (OFC) was held on Friday, June 11, 2010 in the Ohio Board of Regents' office. Chair Rudy Fenwick called the meeting to order at 12:30 PM.

### **Agenda:**

Rudy presented the meeting agenda that was approved by consent.

### **Minutes:**

Keith Bernhard moved that the minutes of the OFC meeting on May 14, 2010 be approved following a minor correction. Claire Bourguet seconded the motion. The motion was approved by unanimous voice voted.

Susan Shockey moved that the minutes of the OFC meeting on May 14, 2010 be approved without correction. Claire Bourguet seconded the motion. The motion was approved by unanimous voice voted.

### **Old Business:**

- Rudy noted that there have been no changes in STRS issues.
- Rudy reported that changes to the SSI formula were forthcoming and that he would try to arrange a meeting between the OFC and Rich Petrick, Vice Chancellor for finance. Mr. Petrick is in charge of the new funding formula.
- Rudy will also try to schedule a meeting between OFC and Paula Compton to discuss issues pertaining to TAGS.

Rudy then distributed an email from Shawnee State University OFC representative, Cliff Poirot (absent from today's meeting), regarding TAGS issues at his institution. Carter Kaplan, representing Shawnee State, explained his perception of the TAGS process,

which incurs significant committee turnover. Following a prolonged discussion, campus representatives were to inquire how the TAGS process works from their point of view. Also, it was suggested that some of the questions raised during the discussion be asked of Ms. Compton.

➤ Pending legislation news:

- No progress has been reported regarding STRS issues and gender rights legislation pending before the Ohio legislature.
- HB 365, collective bargaining rights for contingent faculty and graduate students, is now out of committee and is up for a vote soon.
- SB 272 – appropriations are being considered for match federal TRIO funds

**New Business:**

- Nominations for OFC Vice Chair were received. The lone nominee, Chet Cooper, elected unanimously.
- Anthony Milburn volunteered to be the OFC liaison to the Ohio Faculty Senate.

**Campus Reports:**

Wright State University (Tom Sudkamp)

- Currently, five dean searches continue
- Two associate provost searches are being conducted
- There will be a 3% budget reduction this fiscal year and 4% next year
- Tuition was increased 3.5% for undergraduates and graduate students, 5% for in-state medical school students, and 36% for out-of-state medical school students

Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine and Pharmacy (Claire Bourguet)

- An offer has been made to Jeffrey Sussman to be the new Dean of Medicine
- The Board of Trustees approved a 3% increase in tuition
- Consultants have been engaged to develop a new name for the institution
- There are reductions in budgets anticipated

Lakeland Community College

- A 1-2% budget decrease is anticipated

Central State University (Anthony Milburn)

- The largest class in 10 years will be graduating
- The institution will be joining an athletic conference
- Numerous campus renovations are in progress

Belmont Community College

- A new health science center will be in place in a couple of years
- A cultural change has been noted in that students are less prepared for college

Ohio State University (Tim Gerber)

- Commencement speaker is David Gergen
- Largest class ever to graduate this spring

- 41 departments will merge to form a college of arts and sciences
- It is proposed that the new May term will permit students to take up to 3 semester hours tuition free
- A new Dean of Engineering has been hired

Youngstown State University (Chet Cooper)

- The new president will be installed on September 24<sup>th</sup> and OFC representatives will be invited to attend
- More than 15,000 students are predicted to register for the fall semester
- Faculty negotiations are to start in the fall

Bowling Green State University (Keith Bernhard)

- This is Keith's last OFC meeting and he wishes us all well
- There is a construction boom on campus
- Two new deans have been hired
- Two other deans are being sought as well as a CIO
- Three faculty have been recipients of the Innovation Awards
- Enrollment is up
- Faculty will receive a raise of a yet to be determined amount

University of Akron (Rudy Fenwick)

- With regard to faculty compensation, the process can be described as "continuous" negotiations
- Negotiations continue pertaining to health care and becoming a self-insured institution

**Adjournment:**

By consent, the meeting was adjourned at 2:15 PM.

The next meeting of the OFC will be held on Friday, September 10, 2010 at 12:30 PM in the Ohio Board of Regents' office.

Respectfully Submitted,



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