

MINUTES OFC Meeting • March 10, 2017 *DRAFT*

Members Present: Wright State University (Dan Krane [Chair], Carol Loranger [by phone]), Cleveland State University (Mekki Bayechou), Kent State University (Lee Fox, [by phone]), Northeast Ohio Medical University (Amy Lee), Ohio State University (Ben Givens), Ohio University (Joe McLaughlin, Beth Quitslund), Bowling Green State University (Rachelle Kristof Hippler [by phone]), University of Akron (Roland Arter, Bill Rich [by phone], Leann Schaeffer [by phone]), University of Cincinnati (Sally Moomaw), University of Toledo (Linda Rouillard), and Youngstown State University (Ken Learman [by phone]).

Members Absent: Miami University, Central State University, Shawnee State University

Guests: Sara Kilpatrick (Executive Director, OH-AAUP), Matt Ides (OEA), Jeff Robinson, Communications Director, ODHE.

Chair Dan Krane called the meeting of the Ohio Faculty Council (OFC) to order at 12:30 PM on March 10, 2017. The meeting was held in the 7th floor conference room of the Ohio Department of Higher Education building (25 South Front Street, Columbus, Ohio).

The meeting's agenda was approved by unanimous consent of the members present.

The minutes of the February 10, 2017 meeting of the OFC were approved by unanimous consent of the members present.

Old Business

Chancellor Directive for OFC: Jeff Robinson, Communications Director, ODHE, read Chancellor Carey's updated directive for the Ohio Faculty Council.

Nominations for OFC Officers were closed. Dan Krane (chair) was nominated at the Feb. 10, 2017 meeting and voted by acclamation for a third two-year term. Beth Quitslund (Vice Chair), and Amy Flick (Secretary), previously nominated at the Feb. 10, 2017 meeting, were voted by acclamation for one-year terms.

Metrics of Quality for ODHE Efficiency Reports: Council discussed the draft letter prepared by Dan Krane to Sara Molski, Assistant Policy Director, ODHE, including new metrics to measure quality of education in Ohio public universities. The metrics proposed by OFC are: ratio of full-time to part-time faculty; course completion and graduation rates; number of graduates pursuing graduate or professional degrees; number of opportunities for experiential learning, service learning, research in degree programs. It is also recommended that universities report their energy usage and efficiency in standard units (e.g. mmBTU/square foot).

New Business

Discussion of new OFC website and logo: Website, now maintained by Wright State will go live shortly. There was also discussion of continuing the phone-in option for those not able to come to Columbus, as well as discussion of possibly doing video conferencing through Adobe Connect, Skype, or simply using websharing along with phone-in. Members wishing to participate through a conference call should contact an officer of the OFC for the number to call and access code to use.

Discussion of Testimony on House Bill 49: Dan Krane and Ben Givens will give testimony on the proposed budget bill components related to higher education on March 21, 2017. Other members of OFC are welcome to join the testimony. Draft of the testimony was revised during this meeting. There was also discussion of a proposed House Bill to eliminate tenure.

Ohio Faculty Congress: Dan Krane, Beth Quitslund, Sara Kilpatrick, and Matt Ides provided an update on their meeting with Darrell Minor (chair of the Ohio Faculty Senate of Community and Technical Colleges; OFS). Rep. Perales is interested in inviting members of OFC and OFS to a retreat to discuss the formation of an Ohio Faculty Congress that would facilitate interaction among faculty from two-year and four-year institutions.

Discussion of roles and definitions of two-year versus four-year institutions will be deferred until the April 14, 2017 meeting.

Updates on SSI formula: Jim Bennett will be invited to the April meeting to discuss the most recent updates and revisions to the SSI formula.

Ajournment: 2:40 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
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