



## Ohio Faculty Council

March 9, 2018 Ohio Faculty Council Meeting minutes (draft)

Present: Dan Krane (Wright State), Beth Quitslund (Ohio University), Sally Moomaw (University of Cincinnati), March Scott (Shawnee State), and Kyle Vick (Shawnee State). Joining the meeting online: Amy Flick (Youngstown State University); Ed Dauterich and Deborah Smith (Kent State University); Lori Liggett (Bowling Green State University); Amy Lee (NEOMED); Thomas Atwood (University of Toledo); Michael Kalafatis (Cleveland State University); Steve Tayson; Travis Doom (Wright State)

Guest: Terry Filicko (Chair, Ohio Faculty Senate of Technical and Community Colleges)

Agenda approved

February Meeting Minutes approved

NEW BUSINESS

HB 512 (Education overhaul; testimony attached; Dan Krane)

- One large agency to speak on behalf on three different agencies (see listserv). Supported by House leadership and Governor Kasich. On Fast track. However, there is no indication of strong support in the Senate (or the House in general).

Ohio Guaranteed Transfer Program Steering Committee (Terry Filicko, chair of the Ohio Faculty Senate and steering committee member)

- Helps Community Colleges guide students from two-year to four-year institutions with much more clarity. Concerns were raised about who guarantees the quality of the curriculum (except accreditors), about who is granting the degrees and getting credit for the graduates. There were also concerns raised about how many credits are actually being taken at an institution that is granting the degree given CCP and transfers. Some of the ways in which these concerns are addressed are residency requirements and requirements established by majors. There is only a state requirement of 30 hours at the degree granting institution. It was resolved that Dan Krane would Paula Compton to remind provosts that the Ohio Guaranteed Transfer Pathway had potentially significant curricular implications and that it should be carefully considered by each institution's university curriculum committee. OFC members were also encouraged to bring this matter to the attention of their university's undergraduate curriculum committees.

Sub HB 66 Senate testimony (teaching and tenure; testimony attached; Dan Krane)

- Drafted testimony was circulated and feedback was given. All indications are that this will pass. Initially, this bill was a full assault on tenure, but the bill has been much improved with amendments from its sponsor (including adding the chair of the OFC as a member of a study group that will look at ways of maximizing the benefit to undergraduates of interactions with tenured faculty).

Textbook affordability panel in the State of the State address (attached)

The initial panel discussion associated with the State of the State address focused on textbook affordability. Most of the 1.5 hour panel pertained to a \$1.3M grant being administered by North Central State Community College (and involving Ohio Dominican and Ohio State) to develop open education resources for use in high enrollment classes. A new inclusive access agreement that will allow savings of up to 80% off of list price has been negotiated by OhioLink with three publishers.

SB 216 amendment

- An amendment has been proposed that would grant college credit for vocational training. The IUC has expressed an interest in working to prevent that change to the bill.

OLD BUSINESS

Technology Commercialization contact information (attached)

- Dan will send an email reminder about the technology commercialization award to all provosts and vice presidents of research within a week. The deadline for nominations is August 23 and another reminder will be sent out closer to that date.
- The IUC is interested in helping to promote this year's technology commercialization award and is encouraging vice presidents for research to submit nominations.
- The Miami University student government association is spinning up a faculty award for "affordable education leader." That might be something that the OFC would like to identify and promote as well.

HB 337 (tax exemption for textbook sales) update

- Mike Duffy sponsor; Cleared House Ways and Means Committee but facing opposition from the House Finance Committee.

Transfer credit for for-profit institutions update (Beth Quitslund)

A meeting of the ODHE committee evaluating the prospect of granting credit for courses taken at for-profit institutions was attended by Beth Quitslund and Terry Filicko. Accreditation issues were discussed as a significant barrier. For-profit institutions volunteered to have their courses be based on syllabi from Ohio system schools but do not seem to feel that getting accredited will be a viable solution.

Questions for candidates

Please continue to make comments on the Google doc regarding these questions. A version will be privately sent to Ohio's gubernatorial campaigns before the April OFC meeting.