



## **The Ohio Faculty Council**

### **Members Present:**

Dan Krane (Wright State), Kyle Vick and Mich Nyawalo (Shawnee State), Bill Bowan (Cleveland State University), Amy Flick (Youngstown State University), and Wendy Berry West (Central State University); Ben Givens (Ohio State University)

Those participating via web conference:

Amy Lee (NEOMED), Deborah Smith and Ed Dauterich (Kent State), Leeann Schaeffer (University of Akron), Beth Quitslund (University of Ohio), Michael Kalafatis (Cleveland State University), Thomas Atwood (University of Toledo)

### **Members Absent:**

Miami University; University of Cincinnati; Bowling Green State University

### **Guests:**

Sara Molski, ODHE  
Terry Filicko, Ohio Faculty Senate Chair, Clark State Community College

Chair, Dan Krane called the meeting of the Ohio Faculty Council (OFC) to order at 12:30 PM on January 19, 2018. The meeting was held in the basement floor conference room of the Ohio Board of Regents building (25 South Front Street, Columbus, Ohio).

### **APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA**

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

### **APPROVAL OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING MINUTES**

The minutes of the December meeting of the OFC were approved by unanimous consent of the members present.

### **New Business**

2017 Affordability and Efficiency Reports (Sara Molski, ODHE):

A subset of the Governor's Task Force created a score card for the 14 public four-year institutions of higher education based on the 2015-16 Affordability and Efficiency reports. That will not be done for the 2016-17 reports. The Chancellor does not feel that the role of the agency is to ranking institutions against each other given their broad

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range of missions. Rather, ODHE is using the 2016-17 reports as an examination of strategizing, planning, and allocating resources that create the best value. Ms. Molski reviewed the ODHE summary report (available [here](#)), discussing the strengths of the work submitted by the institutions and pointing out that this report is a space where institutions can highlight their work. This creates an opportunity for OFC to create a scorecard about this process and reports. It was asked how to interject metrics of quality, as historically this process is singularly focused on cost reduction and savings. Ms. Molski suggested that there is a perception that faculty are not interested in participating constructively in these conversations. She also stated that quality metrics could also be included in reports that are submitted by each institution; the report can include anything that speaks to improvement. It was pointed out that without asking for quality based metrics, it is unlikely that institutions will include them. She reiterated that faculty should advocate for inclusion of this information, but noted that this is the governor's initiative, and his focus has been on value and excellence. She suggested that OFC consider creating its their quality report or advocate for such metrics with the Ohio General Assembly.

### Questions for Candidates for Governor:

We should think of things that we want to know from a candidate for governor about how they plan to engage with higher education. Specifically, we should construct several questions for candidates. Amy Flick will create a Working Page in Google Docs where such questions can be suggested and edited prior to the February meeting of the OFC.

### Senate Bill 216 (Dan Krane):

Public School Deregulation Act: Dan Krane drafted and distributed a resolution speaking to the bill's language pertaining to College Credit Plus and the ways in which grades are banded for which elementary school teachers are licensed. This resolution was voted on and passed. It will be used in conjunction with testimony given before the Senate committee considering this bill.

### OLD BUSINESS

Transfer Credits from For-Profit Institutions Study Group (Beth Quitslund): Study group not moving quickly and the charge and assemblage of this group may change under the new governor. Beth Quitslund represents the OFC on this working group. Terry Filicko represents the Ohio Faculty Senate. Bruce Johnson represents the IUC.

HB 337 (State Sales Tax Exemption for Textbook Sales): Resolution from Wright State distributed. Resolution coming up in February for us to consider textbook affordability. Wright State has been aggressive in piloting program to save students money and increase textbook access. One issue: GI Bill will not pay directly for textbooks through inclusive access because of an interpretation made by Ohio's Department of Veteran's Affairs (because students have the option of purchasing texts at a higher cost, purchasing them at a lower cost is not considered mandatory and only required expenses can be paid directly by the VA; Reps. Perales and Duffey are both working to address this issue).

Ohio Faculty Council Awards: Think about this further and we can discuss this in February

#### CAMPUS REPORTS

(1 to 3 minute oral reports limited to updates on senior administrative openings, major initiatives and/or matters of general interest to faculty such as contract negotiations)

#### **Campus Reports**

By consent of the members present, the following campus reports were submitted following the conclusion of today's meeting:

##### Bowling Green State University

- No report submitted

##### Cleveland State University

- New President is being selected, but the search is closed.

##### Northeast Ohio Medical University

- No report submitted

##### Kent State University

- No report submitted

##### Youngstown State University

- No report submitted

##### Central State University

- No report submitted

##### Shawnee State University

- No report submitted

##### Ohio State

- CFO Geoff Chatas has taken position at Georgetown

##### University of Cincinnati

- No report submitted

##### Wright State University

- Wright State faculty union and administration are going to fact finding on January 31. The administration has proposed increasing workloads and healthcare costs and no pay raise for the next three years. Introducing a process by which faculty can be furloughed has also been proposed by the administration.
- Faculty VP Dan Krane and CIO Craig Woolley have been named co-leaders of a comprehensive review of all academic and non-academic programs. The data they gather and analyses they perform by August are to inform a strategic planning committee that will present a new strategic plan to the Board of Trustees in October.

##### University of Akron

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- No report submitted

Ohio University

- No report submitted

University of Toledo

- No report submitted

The meeting was adjourned at 2:35 PM.

Respectfully Submitted,

Amy Flick  
OFC Secretary  
Youngstown State University