The regular meeting of the University Senate Executive Committee was called to order by Chair Harrison at 3:04 p.m. on Tuesday, September 16, 2003 in Schofield Hall, Room 202.

1. Minutes of September 2, 2003 approved as distributed

2. Open Forum – No Items

3. Review of tentative agenda for September 23, 2003 meeting of University Senate
   - Senate Officers issue under Miscellaneous Business being introduced to seek information prior to formulating motion
     - Motions regarding issue can come through Personnel Committees and/or Executive Committee
   - First reading of motion on Removing English Competency Exam from Graduation Requirements, which passed Academic Policies Committee today, added to agenda
   - Any motion from Compensation Committee, which meets on 9/19/03, would need to be under committee reports or discussed as addition to Miscellaneous Business
   - To be included on agenda, motion must already have passed committee and accompany agenda for distribution

4. Set Senate Open Discussion Topic for September 30, 2003
   - Mathematics Department not ready to unveil proposed changes to math requirements
   - Consensus to include topics on flyer distributed, changing order to cover more global issues first
     - Will seek appropriate individuals to introduce various topics
     - Will limit discussion on any given issue to 45 minutes if necessary

5. Review of Senate Election Process
   - Suspended rules number of times during elections because slate did not include more nominees than number of vacancies
     - Problem exacerbated as nominees on multiple ballots withdrew once elected to one or more committees
     - This year Senate listing still in flux at beginning of academic year – Nominating Committee notified of membership changes as soon as known by Senate Office
     - Way currently run not like election; more like picking out something to do
     - Problem stems from individual colleges/schools wanting to maintain representation on many committees with limited number of senators from some of those areas
     - To discuss issue at next Executive Committee meeting
       - Will look at committee structure to see whether important that all people be senators and/or that each college/school be represented
     - Tellers often not present to vote in next committee election because out of room counting votes; perhaps could hire student tellers
     - Consensus reached that votes need not be read into record
       - Once verified, results available in Senate Office
Committee meetings immediately after Senate meeting successful
  • Committee chairs of most committees elected and many meeting times set
  • Far ahead of years past, so able to start work of committees sooner

6. Miscellaneous Business – None

7. Announcements – None

Meeting adjourned at 3:32 p.m.

Wanda Schulner
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