Present: Sign-in sheet attached

Meeting called to order at 3:05 p.m.

1. Agenda approved.

2. Minutes of 10/26/2017 approved.

3. New faculty and staff members were introduced.

4. Update from Engineering College Advisory Council (ECAC). Prof. M. Crimp, ECAC Chair, led the discussion.

   - ECAC is discussing promotion and tenure procedure updates made necessary by the increased number of departments in the college.
   - ECAC is creating new resources for educating faculty on Conflict of Interest / Outside Work for Pay policies and procedures.
   - ECAC is discussing possible changes to the CoE Bylaws concerning voting rights for fixed-term faculty and academic specialists. Feedback from full-time faculty is solicited.

5. Update from Faculty Senate and University Council. Profs. R. Ofolio and A. Ross led the discussion.

   Prompted by events in the MSU College of Medicine resulting in the criminal conviction of an MSU faculty member and resignation of the University President:

   - There is a need to rewrite University Bylaws to integrate faculty into the formulation of important decisions and policies.
   - Senators cannot make decisions, but must refer all matters back to the faculty.
   - Faculty must work with political parties to nominate good candidates for the MSU Board of Trustees.

6. Update from University Committee on Academic Governance (UCAG). Prof. M. Worden led the discussion.

   - Prof. Worden sketched the structure of academic governance at MSU including the roles of the Trustees, Faculty Senate, Steering Committee, and UCAG.
   - UCAG will form an ad hoc subcommittee to recommend changes to the University Bylaws to give more decision / policy authority to faculty.
   - Concerning the events in the College of Medicine: An appeal was made to solve the crisis through slow deliberate decisions rather than emotional responses.
7. Open questions for the CoE representatives on University-level committees.
   - On behalf of Prof. E. Rothwell of the University Committee on Academic Affairs, Prof. Crimp announced that the faculty might begin to receive retirement contributions for summer employment.

8. College update. Dean L. Kempel led the discussion.
   - The Dean briefly reviewed data concerning the incoming class of students (AY 2018-19), proposals and expenditures, and fund-raising efforts.
   - He then presented a “budget primer” outlining college income and expenditures. Slides from this presentation will appear on the college website.

   - In response to a question about the effects of the recent scandal in the College of Medicine on CoE, the Dean reported that the general public, companies, and donors do not appear to be blaming the college for this situation. Companies are still interviewing and hiring students, fund-raising has not been significantly affected. The mood of students is one of sadness rather than anger. Students “want change, not talk.”
   - Followup question about the media response. The media have focused on Interim President Engler’s attempt to move the victims toward mediation, rather than litigation.
   - When asked about the search for a new university president, Dean Kempel said that the Trustees had met with the deans to seek advice on the process. A search committee will be formed to recommend candidates to the trustees with the goal of hiring a new president in early 2019.
   - When asked about the search for a new Associate Dean of Inclusion and Diversity, Dean Kempel said that the search committee had yet to be formed. This position will not increase the number of associate deans.
   - The Dean asked that the College express its gratitude to Prof. M. Koochesfahani for his service as Associate Dean of Graduate Studies.

10. There were no questions for the Associate Deans.

Meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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