Minutes  
Faculty Senate Executive Committee  
December 16, 2002

1. Chair, Stan Cohen, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m. in the President’s Conference Room, Stewart Hall.

2. Members present:
   - Biddington, R.
   - Famouri, P.
   - Lang, G.
   - Brady, L.
   - Haggetta, R.
   - Nutter, R.
   - Cercone, J.
   - Hanson, R.
   - Strife, M.
   - Cohen, S.
   - Hardesty, D.
   - Wilkinson, C.
   - Dean, R.
   - Jones, R.
   - Wilson, C.B.

   Members absent:  
   - Dean, R.
   - Jones, R.
   - Wilson, C.B.

   Guest present:  
   - Lastinger, M.
   - Stamatakas, M.

3. President Hardesty said the December convocation went well and the football Bowl is sold out. He said the budget cuts will be structural and will have to be managed. Chair Cohen asked the President what kinds of legislative action the faculty could do to help. President Hardesty said any responses to the Legislature would have to be coordinated because inappropriate messages could be detrimental to the Institution. He said various issues are being considered to help off-set budget cuts; recommendations included: increase tuition, reallocate vacancies, review technology, and offer more summer classes.

4. It was moved and duly seconded to approve the Minutes from the November 18th meeting. Motion carried.

5. Chair Cohen said he received a letter from Bob Eno, member of the Big Ten at Indiana University, concerning intercollegiate athletics. He said the Big 10 group has appointed the following people as representatives to the committee: Bob Eno (Indiana), John Nichols (Penn State) and Gary Engstrand (Minnesota). Mr. Eno said one of the immediate goals was to focus on assembling a steering committee for all BCS conference faculty leaderships; he asked if WVU wanted to nominate a representative to serve on the steering committee.

   After committee discussion, Professor Wilkinson moved that the Executive Committee stay informed about committee issues and endorse the nomination of two representatives from Virginia Tech and Rutgers. It was duly seconded.

   The motion was divided to approve the first part, “Stay informed about committee issues.” Motion carried.
The second part of the motion, “Endorse the nomination of two representatives,” Failed. Chair Cohen will contact Forrest “Jack” Bowman, Faculty Representative for NCAA, and invite him to give a report to the Senate Executive Committee.

6. Chair Cohen will send the list of members who are serving on the Sunnyside UP project to all committee members.

7. Professor Famouri moved for approval of the following Curriculum Committee Reports:

   Annex I, New Courses and Course Changes. **Motion carried.**
   Annex II, Capstone Report. **Motion carried.**
   Annex III, Revised BSPNGE Curriculum. Placed on hold until PNGE 405 is approved by the Curriculum Committee.
   Annex IV, Alteration Report was submitted for information.

8. Professor Lastinger moved for approval of the LSP report. **Motion carried.** He said the LSP form is inconsistent on different websites; the committee discussed linking all sites where the LSP form is listed to the Faculty Senate webpage.

9. Professor Wilkinson said discussions concerning general education have taken a different direction, but he had nothing to report from the Ad hoc committee at this time. Professor Brady suggested the committee review a draft prepared earlier by Professors Brady and Bendena. She will forward the draft to Professor Wilkinson.

10. Chair Cohen reported that Tom Long, Advisory Council of Faculty representative provided a brochure at the December Faculty Senate meeting, which lists upcoming Legislative sessions.

11. Mary Strife, Faculty Secretary, submitted a report from Sam Stack, Chair, Library Committee, which states plans are being made to extend hours for the Wise and Evansdale libraries.

12. Candidates for honorary degrees will be voted on at the January 13, 2003, Faculty Senate meeting. The new voting procedure was discussed and will be used for this election. The following statement will be placed on the agenda: “Executive Session to discuss honorary degree nominations for the Morgantown campus only.”

13. Provost Lang said a policy is in place to monitor student travel abroad. He said campus consciousness will be raised after the first of the year.

14. The meeting adjourned at 4:45 p.m. to reconvene January 27, 2003.

Mary Strife
Faculty Secretary