University Senate Minutes for November 11, 2010
Names in italic represent senators who were present:

**Biological Science**
E. L. Beard

**Business (College of)**
Wing Fok
Pat Lynch
Karen Arnold
Jerry Goolsby

**Chemistry**
Joelle Underwood

**Classical and Modern Languages and Cultures**
Blanca Anderson
Bob Dewell
Nathan Henne

**Criminal Justice**
Dee Harper

**English**
Robert Bell
Barbara Ewell
Mark Yakich
Janelle Schwartz

**History**
Robert Gerlich, S. J.
Maurice Brungardt

**Law (College of)**
Lawrence Moore, S. J.
Markus Puder
Andrea Armstrong
Johanna Kalb
Luz Molina
Steve Singer
Karen Sokol
Irme Szalai

**Law Library**
Etheldra Scoggin

**Mass Communication (School of)**
David Zemmels
Larry Lorenz

**Monroe Library**
Teri Gallaway
Ria Newhouse

**Mathematical Sciences**
Ralph Tucci

**Ministry (Institute for)**
Kathleen O’Gorman

**Music**
Alice Clark
Meg Frazier
James MacKay
John Murphy
Janna Saslaw
John Snyder (sub for Alice Clark)

**Nursing (School of)**
Kim Brannagan
Lisa Linville
Mary Oriol

**Philosophy**
Joe Berendzen
Jon Altschul

**Physics**
Patrick Garrity

**Political Science**
Conrad Raabe

**Psychology**
Evan Zucker
Erin Dupuis
Religious Studies
Sr. Terri Bednarz
Boyd Blundell

Sociology
Marcus Kondkar

Theater Arts and Dance
Geoffrey Hall

Visual Arts
Nancy Bernardo
Bill Kitchens

Guests:
Suzanne Mestayer, Chair, Loyola Board of Trustees
Kevin Wildes, S.J., President
Ed Kvet, Provost
Elizabeth Kordahl, Exec Asst to Provost
Ethan Labourlite
CALL TO ORDER: 3: 30pm

INVOCATION: Father Robert Gerlich

October 2010 minutes approved

REMARKS FROM CHAIR:

GUESTS:

Dr. Raabe welcomed Father Wildes to make the guest introduction.

Father Wildes introduced special guest, Suzanne Mestayer, Chair, Loyola Board of Trustees.

Ms. Mestayer stated that it is an honor and privilege to serve as Chair of Loyola’s Board of Trustees. She also stated that this would be her last year as chair. Ms. Mestayer stated that her prospective of the board’s role is governance of policy including guidance and oversight. She stated that the board has members with an educational background, which is very valuable. Ms. Mestayer thanked the executive committee, senators and faculty for all of their hard work. She then opened the meeting for questions:

Questions raised by senators:

1) Allocations of funds and vision for the university? Father Wildes stated that we have committees that are currently planning and executing the University’s strategic plan. Faculty members of the University are an active part of this process as well. Part of the vision in 2012 is focused on the Jesuit mission of educating the whole person and the University is very focused on putting work into student affairs and residential life. We are currently seeing growth in our retention rate.

2) Priorities of the Board? Ms. Mestayer stated that the infrastructure is in-line with the strategic plan. Father Wildes stated that the priority is execution of the current plans and making certain we are on target with our goals.

3) Bond issues? Father Wildes explained that we still have a bond window. Our next step is student housing and Monroe renovations. Father Wildes explained that we can go to the bond market when the next phase begins. Thomas Hall and the parking garage came in well under estimated costs.
4) Financial situation of the University? Ms. Mestayer stated that the financial situation of the university is stable and very good. Father Wildes concurred stating that we received very positive ratings. Plans to hire new faculty as well as salary increases will continue. Ms. Mestayer stated that the board prospective is that the administration has done an exceptional job in advance budget planning. Dr. Kvet stated that we are continuing to make progress.

Father Wildes and Ms. Mestayer encouraged and welcomed senators to join board members at the upcoming luncheon.

REPORTS:

    Proposed standing committee on online education – Bret Jacobs

Mr. Bret Jacobs, Vice Provost of Information Technology and Chief Information Officer, stated that the Provost requested a task force to review on-line education. The proposal is to create a standard committee for this program. Mr. Jacobs stated that it is important to make sure that, after an online program is created, it meets the standards of the University. It is also important that the funding, support, resources and assessments are in place. The committee structure is included in the proposal. This document will be proposed for inclusion in the faculty handbook. Mr. Jacobs stated that the role of the committee is not to approve on-line courses – it is only to make sure programs run properly if they are proposed. The focus right now is on program standards, not courses.

The law school posed question as to how this committee would be involved with the law school because the law school has separate accreditation.

Dr. Raabe stated that, at this time, the document will be sent out for review and any questions or discussions can take place at the next meeting. He also stated that this would be a standard committee, not a substance committee.

    Conflict of interest committee members: M. McHuge, M. Oriol, E. Zucker

Dr. Raabe stated that this committee is under Dr. Capowich and new members were recently selected. Dr. Raabe thanked all new committee members for their service.

    Diversity Committee report to Faculty Handbook Revision Committee – T. Decuir

Dr. Raabe reminded senators that this report was discussed at the last meeting. The last discussion was regarding two components 1) Membership and 2) the word *race* changed to *ethnicity*. Dr. Decuir stated that the editing change was discussed with the committee and they requested that the word *race* be put back into the statement.
Senate members discussed the pros and cons of each word. Dr. Decuir repeated the statement and senators discussed the editing change in more detail.

Dr. Raabe stated that the process is to agree or disagree with the committee (committee requested that the original word race be put back into diversity statement):

Motion is to reinsert the word race
Motion
Motion seconded
Open for discussion
Discussion continued
2 opposed
No abstentions
The word race will be reinstated

Dr. Raabe stated that this could be brought back to the senate for discussion at a later date, if necessary.

_Dux Academicus_ and Senate Awards – Conrad Raabe, Janna Saslaw

Dr. Saslaw will send out a notice for nominations/names. Dr. Saslaw stated that the categories are teaching, research, advising and service.

_Ad hoc committee on compression and equity_ – Ralph Tucci

Dr. Tucci stated that the committee did not have a report at this time.

_Pathways – SCAP joint committee_ – Barbara Ewell

Dr. Ewell gave names of new committee members. Dr. Ewell stated that they should have a report by next semester. If there are any concerns, please bring to the attention of the committee as soon as possible.

_Vendor contracts review committee_ – Joe Berendzen

Dr. Berendzen stated that the committee is close to reaching the preliminary fact finding policies that other Jesuit communities have. The committees met with several groups and are now in the process of setting a date for this to be discussed. The goal is to have a proposal by January 2011.

_Faculty Handbook Revision Committee progress report_ – Dee Harper

Dr. Harper stated that the proposal for the Internal Grants Procedure has been approved by the committee in the first reading. As a reminder, this proposal is for one year and Dr. Harper will open this for discussion at a later date.
Other committee reports - None

Dr. Ed Kvet - Provost

Dr. Kvet stated that due to the time restraints of this meeting he would give a report at the next meeting. Dr. Kvet asked if any senators had any questions at this time? None noted.

OLD BUSINESS

Board of Review members from senate

Dr. Raabe stated that we have eight members on the board of reviews.

Tabled matters from spring session

Dr. Raabe reminded senators that last spring Dr. Calzada presented the Program Evaluation Process and it was tabled until this year. Dr. Calzada requested that this be taken from the table and put back on the agenda. Dr. Kvet stated that some editorial changes were made to the Program Evaluation Procedure and it is still under review.

Dr. Raabe stated that it would go back to the committee and then come to the senate for the December meeting.

NEW BUSINESS

Recycling facilities resolution – Tish Beard and Kathryn Anzelmo

Members presented recycling procedure and recycling facilities resolution.

(Handout) – Motion
Motion seconded
Opened for discussion
Motion to vote on this item today
Opened for discussion
Motion to vote
Called to question
Favor of the motion
None opposed
No abstentions
Resolution passed unanimously

ADJOURNMENT at 5:00pm