Minutes from the WVSU Faculty Senate Executive Committee meeting
Friday, April 27, 2018 at 12:00 p.m. in Hill Hall 219

Attendance: R. Ford, Chair; Vice Chair, Jessica Barnes-Pietruszynski; Secretary, Dirk Johnson; AL Rep., Jeff Pietruszynski; AL Rep., Tom Guetzloff; Historian, Deborah Wells; BOG Rep., Frank Vaughan, ACF Rep., Barbara Ladner

Meeting called to order 12:06 p.m.

1. R. Ford asked about the R&D financial situation. President Jenkins spoke to the R&D issue. He is looking at numbers now and recognizes there is work to do. There are contracts and commitments in place that can’t be addressed until Oct. 1. The solution has to be carefully approached to keep monies where they need to be by federal policy, etc. If done right, these issues won’t fester. He met with science faculty for nearly 2 hours to address concerns about labs and attention from R&D/Provost. Academic affairs has issues that are moving slowly (math fail rate largest in the state, 2 years of grad school not moving forward), yet faculty aren’t fired up about these issues. Communication issues between provost and faculty in ownership of spending policies is also frustrating. Rich suggested a May 4 deadline to address the faculty. Pres. Jenkins wasn’t confident he could have things in place by then, fixing things correctly.

2. R. Ford asked about what information we should share with the faculty. We decided to share the handout we had in our possession and have the senate decide what to share with the wider faculty.

3. FPC has not reported. M. Seyidmonir says the new form is complete. The committee needs to say, officially, it is complete and the senate should present it to the faculty as the new instrument.

4. F. Vaughan says that there was much discussion regarding furlough. After the 30 day public comment period, the Review of Tenured Faculty policy remained unchanged. It was a good effort on the faculty’s part as the policy was crafted.

5. F. Vaughan moved and J. Pietruszynski seconded to approve the minutes.

Meeting adjourned at 1:20 p.m.