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**Faculty Senate Executive Committee Meeting #9
September 12, 2016
MINUTES**

1. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM on Monday, September 12, 2016, in Library Conference Room B, Chairperson Sullivan presiding. Senators Byrd, Conley, Leonard, Mahler, and Tsiatas were present.
2. General Education Director DiCioccio joined the meeting at 10:00 AM. She and the FSEC discussed plans for the upcoming launch celebration for faculty of the new general education program scheduled for Wednesday, September 28, 4:30 PM, on the campus quadrangle. Director DiCioccio also described plans for an event for students to be held in October. The event would promote the new program through the use of “outcome stations” where students could learn about specific courses in each of the student outcomes around which the program is structured. Director DiCioccio reported that she had attended the September 8 meeting of the General Education Committee. The FSEC indicated that it was drafting language to describe the role and responsibilities of the director for the University Manual. The General Education Committee would be asked to review the proposed language. Director DiCioccio said that development of the new website for the general education program has been handicapped by unmet requests for content. She also asked the FSEC to decide on a name for the new program. Director DiCioccio left the meeting at 10:55 AM.
3. **ONGOING BUSINESS**
 - a. The FSEC discussed the draft of the language describing the General Education Director for inclusion in the University Manual. Ms. Neff was asked to make edits and distribute to FSEC members for further review.
 - b. The FSEC discussed potential selections for the search committee for the dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.
 - c. The FSEC discussed the requirement that course proposal forms include the name of a tenure track faculty member who may not necessarily be the faculty member who plans to teach the course. The Committee discussed the concerns surrounding the rights and responsibilities of tenure track and non-tenure track faculty.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:00 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Neff