The meeting was called to order at 4:10 pm by Paul Chinowsky.

Communications Update – Paul Chinowsky

- Committee Communications
  - Need to have improved communication between BFA reps who sit on outside committees communicate to the ExCom what is going on in those committees
    - More formal committee reports this year will be required
    - When a committee meets, BFA- or non-BFA committees, submit a one paragraph summary to ExCom via an email to Carrie Olson
    - Every third week, the ExCom meeting will be dedicated to committee reports

Reorganization of Committees – Paul Chinowsky

What constitutes a viable committee?

- Per our bylaws, there should be ten members on a committee
  - Eight faculty elected from BFA Assembly during annual elections
  - Student government reps as assigned by individual committees
- Paul is going to send a questionnaire to BFA reps regarding the committee that they are currently on
  - Do they want to remain?
  - Do they want to be removed?
  - What other committee might they be interested in serving on?

Climate Symposia – Paul Chinowsky

The Climate Symposia will be an annual series held in the fall – one per month beginning in September.

This year, the meetings will be as follows:

- September 17th – organized by Faculty Affairs (Jeff Cox’s office); Topic: Academic Freedom
- October 7th – organized by the BFA; Possible topic: Classroom Rights & Responsibilities
Paul Chinowsky to send email to ExCom for topic ideas
- November – organized by Student Government
- December – TBD (not officially announced yet)

**General Updates** – Paul Chinowsky
- Augmester is going to happen
- The new parking garage has been in the planning stage for quite a while. It is going to be underground because the excavating had to occur for the new practice field anyway.
- Incoming freshman class
  - More than 5,800
  - Esteemed scholars almost 1,000 in-state
    - Increase from 500 last year
  - Retention goal is 80%
    - Current retention rate is 70% which is up from the mid-60s
- ODH report was approved by ODH and will be presented to the general BFA next week

Meeting was adjourned at 5:10 pm by Paul Chinowsky.

Submitted by Carrie Olson, BFA Assistant.