

Faculty Senate Meeting Minutes

Monday April 8, 2019

3:30 – 5:00 pm– Clinton Hall, Room 126

Senators Present: Ahmed Bowen,Bray, Brown,Bryant,Buerge,Bukonda, Carlson, Castro, Celestin, Decker, Dowling, English, Granada, Hammond, Hull, Jameson, Lockard, Moody Nicks, Popejoy, Price, Schwartz, Small, Smith, Smith-Campbell, Solomey, Sternfeld, Dunn, Tamtam Yao, Yildirim, Zewde.

Excused: Hakansson, Hill, Markova, Moore, Hansen, Muthitacharoen, Nobel, Pulaski

Absent: Babnich, Bailey, Bannister, Barut, Birzer, Clawson, Showstack, Suzuki, Weheba.

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Agenda Item	Notes/Discussion/Process	Outcome/Action/Completed
Call to Order		
Informal Statements and Proposals	Interim University President Andy Tompkins – introduced himself to the senate and reviewed his career and qualifications. Currently assembling a search committee. Probably looking at a six month process with interviews in September or October. If an external candidate is hired it may take up to a year or longer for the new president to start.	
Approval of Minutes	March 25, 2019	MSC
President's Report	<p>KBOR update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussing open educational resources. • Board of trustees Muma and Tomlin gave updates on SEAD innovation campus. • Executive committee met at Wonder School and had a tour. Will ask Wonder School to give an update to senate at later meeting • SGA made recommendations to Gen. Ed. recommendations committee. Recommend that the committee get rid of tier 3 requirements and bring gen ed to 33 credit hours. <p>End of year timeline (see below) - 4 pm, RS 266 Pike Room</p> <p>Friday, April 19, 11noon, RS 257 Ashton/Bridges Room</p>	
Committee Reports		

Rules: Jeff Jarman, Chair	<p>1st Reading: Policy recommendations to change Senate Constitution Bylaws</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To establish a quorum of 50 present at general faculty meetings. • Faculty affairs –add a new ex officio member from the provost office • Library committee proposed change of composition from 14. • Scholarship and student aid –eliminate first four of their charges but keep 5 and 6. It was pointed out that items are written from federal guidelines and dropping these could be out of compliance. • Announced proposed composition of newly created accessibility c 	
Gery Markova Vice President	Election update	
Old Business		
Gen ED: Shirlene Small, Chair	<p>Updated: 2^d Reading: From Gen ED committee Proposal and Appendix.</p> <p>Modify First-Year Seminar from a pilot program to a Gen ED requirement</p> <p>Concerns were raised about LAS losing credit hours since other colleges can now offer FYS under LAS. A: Credit hours will go to the department that teaches the course. Q: How will these courses be vetted to check to see if they really fit in the assigned/requested discipline? A: Process is still the same and we don't expect a large imbalance in where the courses come from. Q: What if we don't have enough proposed FYS courses to fill the 64 section quota? A: We'll hope that we do. Some senators expressed strong support for the proposal. Concerns were raised about academic freedom and rigidity of the proposal. Q: Is there a plan to make this a one-credit course offering. Comment, the proposal lacks real incentive to attract offerings from senior faculty and also doesn't appear sustainable. It was suggested to make a campus stipend greater than \$2500. Will it be feasible to change the proposal after we vote today? A: Any time you can make recommendations to the gen. ed. committee.</p>	FYS vote passed 19 in favor opposed.
New Business		

	range. - Whistleblowers -needs to address indirect retaliations, not just direct examples.	
As May Arise	None	
Adjourn		

Next Senate Meeting: April 22, 3:30-5:00 pm; Clinton Hall Room 126

SAVE THE DATE:

- April 29, 3:30 pm– GENERAL FACULTY MEETING, Hubbard Hall 208
- May 9, 9 am – TIME CHANGE TO MORNING -Shocker Pride Celebration Faculty/Staff Awards RSC Beggs Ballroom
- May 9, 3 pm –Bardo Celebration of Life – more info to come.
- May 10, 2 pm –Faculty Awards Ceremony, RSC 233, Santa Fe Room
- May 13, 3:30 pm -Final Senate Meeting and End of Year Celebration joint meeting with incoming Senate RSC Beggs Ballroom