

## **FACULTY SENATE Meeting Minutes**

**April 6, 2017**

Convene- 4:06 pm

Approval of the Agenda –Approved as presented

Approval of the meeting minutes - Faculty Senate meeting minutes from March 9, 2017

Approved as presented.

Provost report/Q&A – Dr. Bette Bergeron

State budget-

- There is no need for alarm
- The State law makers will be back to session on April 24
- SUNY System wants everyone to know SUNY operations are fine and will continue as usual, despite some state budget delays.

Strategic planning-

- Be sure to key in on different web sites for the campus wide plan and on the Provost website for updates on the Academic Affairs Strategic Plan
- There are also links in the Provost newsletter

Campus Strategic Plan-

- Teams will be fleshing out the action steps for the series of 7 “We will “statements
- Please look it over and see if there is anything that interests you—you are welcome to join one of the teams (contact Carol Rourke)
- The new draft will be posted and left up until all feedback received

There needs to be some leadership in the CCI-

- We have tried some things that didn’t work:
- We tried looking internally for a Director- that didn’t work out
- We tried posting it externally- that hasn’t worked out so far either

- Will be looking at it this again and re-posting, taking a different approach to the position description

Gerhard has resigned his position as CFO-

- Mary Dolan has taken on his responsibilities on an interim basis until we hire an Interim Financial Officer.
- We will work with the Registry to have an interim financial officer on campus for a year or 2 to help us get things on track in those areas before we hire a permanent CFO.
- Tuesday May 9<sup>th</sup> at 11:30am on Raymond 8<sup>th</sup> floor we will have a meet the candidates' session
- The Registry has selected and sent 4 candidates
- The Presidents council, Lisa, and Jan have vetted them, in addition to the Registry vetting.

Next Coffee & Conversation is next Thursday 8:30am- Exploring the new retention and advising tool –

- We purchased the SSC Tool to provide advisors and students great information and data on trends.
- We will pilot the tool over the summer

Senate Chair Report and announcements - L. Wilson

- The CVs for the 3 registry candidates will be available online
- There is a full faculty meeting on the 20th and the full faculty Q&A is on the 27th
- The May 11<sup>th</sup> meeting will have refreshments

SGA Report - S. Koloski

- We are all busy academically, we only have a few weeks left
- All information will be made public tonight –
  1. Election results
  2. Whether student activity fee will remain mandatory

**Standing Committee Reports**

Academic Policies, Standards, and Advising- Dave Bugg-

- The committee is finishing up the charge concerning academic dismissals
- Working on the class ranking charge and getting to the point of moving that to FSEC as an action item

### Academic Programs and Curriculum

ACTION ITEM: Revision to policy on Online course approvals.  
(See- attached proposal on the Agenda)

Lisa Wilson- Move that this policy revision be forwarded to President

Presentation by Josh LaFave

### Discussion:

Q- Oscar Sarmiento- Question about the slide mentioning a CV

A - The Department Chair will use a CV or online course syllabi to determine credentialing for online courses

Jan- Concerns about funding sources

Q- How many students minimum need to be enrolled in a course to make it financially feasible?

A - Josh- This is already a line item

Jan- If this blossoms you would need more funding

Josh- There is some flexibility for special sessions, etc

Action: All in favor of policy as presented:

Motion passes by all present

### Admissions: Mark Miziak

- We are still ahead of last years' numbers in deposits
- We have 2 open houses coming up, hopefully we will have a plethora of new Bears

### Business Affairs:

- We currently have no specific charges but we have a meeting set to review incoming proposals
- Karla and Cliff have taken the lead on putting together the Fiscal Affairs and Strategic Planning Committee (FASP), previously recommended by Senate
- Cliff and Karla are pushing it thru to get committee members in place, while awaiting new leadership

### Goals & Planning – No report

### Graduate Affairs- No report

### Student Life Committee-

- They are working on picking the student award winners

### Nominating Committee-

- We are working on the ballot for next year's committees
- We elect a Faculty Senate Chair in the odd-numbered years

### President's Report/Campus Updates- Covered by the Provost

### General Education Task Force/Steering Committee update – A. Hersker

- Met yesterday
- The steering committee continues to meet with departments.
- If you and your department want to meet with us, let us know
- Hoping to have a full presentation on May 20<sup>th</sup> at Full Faculty and if we have something ready we are hoping for a vote of confidence on moving forward on the broad outline on May 11.

Adjourn: 5:18pm

Moved- Tim Morse

2<sup>nd</sup> Harold Ellingsen