Faculty Senate Meeting

Thursday, March 28, 2024 -- 3:45 p.m.

Members present: K. Hudepohl, T. Jenkins, A. Fox, P. Gunter, L. Elkind, J. Leguizamon, J. Maddox, S. IM, J. Shadoan, T. Seguin, A. Jenkins, M. Jackson, S. Bonis, J. Shankweiler, K. Madole, J. Stewart, A. Heintzman, L. Plumlee, P. Todd, C. Basham, P. Otto, D. Tolusso, B. Elliott, K. Liang, S. Herbert, E. Kondratieff, P. Rusli, J. Klemm, M. Day, S. Eagle, D. Smith, D. Strunk, J. Wilson, M. Nee, D. Clark, S. Flener, K. Neelly, M. Pruitt, M. McKerral, J. Erickson, J. Houle

Guests: B. Laves, J. Lux, S. Forsythe, A. Jerome, D. Applegate, D. Kelley, S. Spiller, M. Dumancic, J. Hammonds, B. Fischer

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- A. Approval of previous months Senate Meeting:
- 1. Faculty Senate Minutes 2-22-24
 - Motion to approve: M. Pruitt | S. Flener; motion carries.
- B. Officer Reports
- 1. Chair Susan Eagle
 - No report
- 2. Vice-Chair Doug Smith
 - Reported on elected at-large senators and completed election for OCSE by pulling names from hat.
 - See attachment for results
- 3. Secretary Dan Strunk
 - No report
- C. Standing Committee Reports:
- 1. Academic Quality, Patricia Todd, Chair (Report Posted)
 - Motion to approve: P. Todd; motion carries
- 2. Budget and Finance, Eric Kondratieff, Chair (Report posted)
 - Motion to approve: E. Kondratieff; motion carries
- 3. Colonnade/General Education, Stacey Forsythe, Chair (Report posted)
- a. Colonnade Report 2-6-24
- b. Colonnade Report 3-5-24
 - Motion to approve bundled reports: S. Forsythe; motion carries

- 4. Faculty Welfare and Professional Responsibilities, Landon Elkind, Chair (Report posted)
 - Motion to approve: L. Elkind; motion carries
 - Discussed changes to faculty welfare study and reminded of upcoming closing date.
 - Requests Faculty workload policy under old business be removed from consideration because version listed is up to date.
- 5. Graduate Council, Sara Bonis, Chair (Report posted)
 - Motion to approve: S. Bonis; motion carries (graduate faculty only)
- a. Proposed policy: Experiential Learning
 - Motion to approve: S. Bonis; motion carries (graduate faculty only)
 - S. Bonis provided brief overview of the new policy.
- 6. Graduate Curriculum Committee, Whitley Stone, Chair (Report posted)
 - Motion to approve: S. Bonis; motion carries (graduate faculty only)
- 7. <u>Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, Shelia Flener, Chair (Report posted)</u>
 - Motion to approve: S. Flener; motion carries
- a. Proposed Bylaw Revisions
 - Motion to approve: S. Flener; motion carries
 - S. Flener described bylaw changes as being very minor. University senate being replace with faculty senate.
- 8. Faculty Handbook, Julie Shadoan, Chair (No Report)
- D. Other Committee/Organization Reports:
- 1. American Association of University Professors (AAUP)
 - No report
- 2. Budget and Executive Committee (BEC)
 - No report
- 3. Coalition of Senate and Faculty Leadership (COSFL)
 - No report
- 4. Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI), Molly Kerby, Chair
 - No report
- E. Advisory Member Reports:
- 1. Faculty Regent, Shane Spiller
 - Discussed March Board of Regents meeting where the two University Distinguished professors were honored, SunSketcher App was discussed, and NCAA compliance audit was reviewed.
 - Board of Regents Committee meetings scheduled for April 12 where they will look at annual risk assessment and meet with internal auditor.

- 2. Provost, Robert "Bud" Fischer
 - Fiscal year 24 and 25 budgets were discussed.
 - The remaining 1% pay raise pool was distributed to those with 80% inversion.
 - Discussed current award winners and CUSA award.
 - M. Pruitt discussed recent campus events and the need for a free speech policy. M. McKerral added there is a need to follow protocol in regards to media at events. Provost Fischer stated he would look into the matter as there may be a policy already in place.
- 3. SGA President, Sam Kurtz
 - Absent
- F. Old Business:
- 1. Proposed Faculty Handbook Revision; Dismissal for Cause Procedure
 - Motion to approve: M. McKerral | M. Nee; motion carries
 - Friendly amendments
 - Changing "230" to "360" on state statute
 - Changing "incompetence" to "incompetency"
 - Adding of to "neglect of or refusal" to be consistent to statutes
- 2. <u>Proposed Academic Affairs Policy Revision: Faculty Workload and Compensation</u>
 - Postponed until April meeting
- G. New Business:
- 1. Information Item: New Policy 4.3000 Annual Performance Development Policy, Andrea Sherrill
 - Only applies to administrators and staff
 - No discussion
- 2. Marko Dumancic: Presentation on AI to Faculty Senate
 - Discussed the effects of AI on job markets and future job projections. New positions such as "prompt engineer" will become normal.
 - Discussed the importance of looking at AI and reason for CITL to have focus on AI.
 - Upcoming AI conference on April 12.
 - Emphasized he was well under 15 minutes.

Motion to adjourn: M. Nee | S. Flener; 4:47PM

Announcement of Faculty Senate At-large Election Results

<u>CHHS = Six open at-large seats</u>

Sheila S. Flener Larry W. Owens Miranda Peterson Michelle Reece Stephanie Riehn Melissa Travelsted

William Czekanski – 1st replacement Raymond Poff – 2nd replacement

OCSE = Seven open at-large seats

Robin L. Ayers Patrick Brown Dan Clark Margaret E. Crowder Kevin S. Schmaltz <u>Andrew M.enaltowski</u> Phillip Gunter

Arran Wichman - 1st replacement Katrina Burch – 2nd replacement Pallav Bera – 3rd replacement

PCAL = Six open at-large

Gordon "Mac" McKerral Tom Hunley Angie Jerome Jason Rosenholtz-Witt Yvonne Petkus Matthew Pruitt

No replacements

<u>CEBS = Two open at-large</u>

Kandy Smith Sungin Im

Said Ghezal – 1st replacement Mark A. Staynings – 2nd replacement